

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of All Saints

Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Anglican Church of Canada



December 4, 2022

11 a.m.

Welcome! I am delighted to have you with us today for this service of worship. Please, stay awhile. Get to know us better. No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

We at All Saints Cathedral Church, are a diverse lot, from many Christian backgrounds, non-Christian backgrounds, and no faith backgrounds. We come for Christian community, to find God in relationships with neighbours and new friends. We come for lessons from the incredible life of Jesus Christ. We come for spiritual rest, time to think, pray, and center on God, for comfort in hard times, and gratitude in good times. We come to serve God, each other, and the world. We're not perfect. We trust in God's gentle grace and unconditional love. We seek meaning for the life God has gifted us.

You are invited to God's table to receive communion (gluten free wafers are available). We welcome you, no matter who you are, or what you look like, or what labels the world puts on you. We welcome you if, like us, you struggle with flaws and imperfection but have a loving spirit and strive to let the light of Jesus shine within you and then to share it with others. We dare to welcome all because God, and not any human authority, extends this gracious invitation. If you wish not to receive Holy Communion you may still come forward for a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. You are also welcomed to remain seated during this time.

In this leaflet, you will find most everything you need to follow along throughout the service. Whether you have been attending the Cathedral Church your whole life or this is your first time here, you are invited to participate in the service as fully as you feel comfortable doing and are able to.

Peace and Joy,



Very Rev. Paul Smith, Rector,

and Dean of the Cathedral Church of All Saints

Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022

The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Introit The Third & Fourth Great O Antiphons (*sung by the choir*)
Plainsong

O Radix Jesse O Root of Jesse, which standest for an ensign of the people, at whom kings shall shut their mouths, to whom the Gentiles shall seek: Come and deliver us, and tarry not.

O Clavis David O Key of David, and Sceptre of the house of Israel; that openest and no man shutteth: and shuttest, and no man openeth: Come and bring the prisoner out of the prison house, and him that sitteth in darkness, and the shadow of death.

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement

Although we have come together in person and in digital space, we each stand on ground that is the ancestral territory of peoples who were here long before the European settlers crossed the ocean. We gather here in and from the Cathedral Church of All Saints in Halifax, Nova Scotia; located on the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

Opening Hymn

#103

On Jordan's Bank

WINCHESTER NEW

1 On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
awake and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings.

2 Then cleansed be every breast from sin;
make straight the way for God within.
Prepare we in our hearts a home,
where such a mighty guest may come.

3 For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward;
without thy grace we waste away,
like flowers that wither and decay.

4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth, and let thy light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.

5 All praise, eternal Son, to thee
whose advent doth thy people free;
whom with the Father we adore
and Holy Ghost for evermore.

The Lighting of the 2nd Advent Candle—Peace

Reader Today, on this second Sunday of Advent, we hear about Isaiah's vision of a new and transformed world; a world where all creatures live together in harmony and peace. We wait with hope for this vision to become reality and the God of hope fills us with joy and peace in believing. We re-light the candle of HOPE.

(The first purple candle is relit)

Reader: Isaiah's vision paints a picture of a world shaped in accordance with God's will and design. He tells of One so enlightened by God's Spirit that he would open eyes and ears and hearts to a new understanding of God's dream of Shalom, of Peace. As we light the candle of PEACE, we proclaim our belief in God's faithfulness in keeping promises.

(A second purple candle is lit)

Reader: Let us pray together:

People: **God of all faithfulness, Isaiah described the one for whom the people waited - the Messiah. We wait**

also, but we wait in the joyful knowledge that the Messiah has already come to us in your beloved Son. We wait in faith, praying that through the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus, the Prince of Peace, will be born anew in our hearts and in our lives. Amen.

Hymn

#89

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vv.3&4)

VENI EMMANUEL

3 O come, O come, great Lord of might,
who to your tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times once gave the law,
in cloud and majesty and awe.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel!*

4 O come, O Rod of Jesse's stem,
from every foe deliver them
that trust your mighty power to save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel!*

The Gathering of the Community

The presiding celebrant greets the community

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

People **And also with you.**

The following prayer may be said.

Celebrant Almighty God,
All **to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts**

**by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Kyrie

Missa Orbis Factor (sung by the choir)

Plainchant

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant

Let us pray.

All

**God of justice,
clear our lives of hatred and despair
and sow in us seeds of joy and peace;
so that shoots of hope may spring forth in us
as we await the coming of the Christ,
who with you and the Holy Spirit,
lives and reigns, one God,
now and for ever. Amen.**

FWM Proposed Collects (2004) alt.

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

Reader

A reading from **Isaiah 11:1-10**

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
The 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.
His 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;
but 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.
Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,

- All* 6 He shall come down like the rain upon the **mōwn** grass :
even as the showers that **wa**-ter the earth.
- Cantor* 7 In his time shall righteousness **flōur**-ish :
yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the **moon** en-dūr-eth.
- All* 20 Blessèd be the Lord, the God of **Is**-ra^el :
who only **do**-eth won-drous^things;
- Cantor* 21 And blessèd be the Name of his majesty for **ēv**-er :
- All* and let all the earth be filled with his majesty. **A-men** and **Ā**-men.

Gradual Hymn

#100

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

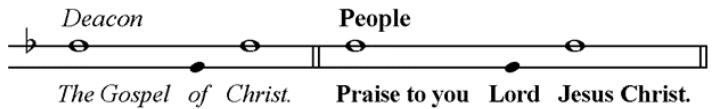
PSALM 42

1 Comfort, comfort ye my people,
speak ye peace: thus saith our God.
Comfort those who sit in darkness
bowed beneath oppression's load;
speak ye to Jerusalem
of the peace that waits for them:
tell her that her sins I cover,
and her warfare now is over.

2 Hark! The herald's voice is calling
in the desert far and near,
calling us to new repentance
since the reign of God is here.
Oh, that warning cry obey!
Now prepare for Christ a way;
let the valleys rise to meet him,
and the hills bow down to greet him.

3 Make ye straight what long was crooked;
make the rougher places plain.
Let your hearts be true and humble
as befits Messiah's reign.
For the glory of the Lord
now o'er earth is shed abroad,
and all flesh shall see the token
that God's Word is never broken.

Responses after the Gospel



Sermon - *The Reverend Dr Helen Ryding*

The Apostles' Creed

The celebrant may invite the people, to join in the recitation of the creed.

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,
**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the
Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners

and invites us to this table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant

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.**

Celebrant

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

All stand, and the presiding celebrant addresses the people.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Preparation Hymn

There's a Voice in the Wilderness

1 There's a voice in the wilderness crying,
a call from the ways untrod:
prepare in the desert a highway,
a highway for our God!
The valleys shall be exalted,

#106

ASCENSION

the lofty hills brought low;
make straight all the crooked places,
where the Lord our God may go!

2 O Zion, give voice to good tidings,
ascend to the heights and sing!
Proclaim to a desolate people
the coming of their King.
The works of pride all perish,
like flowers they shall decay;
the power and pomp of nations
shall pass like a dream away.

3 But your word, O God, is faithful,
your arm, O Lord, is strong;
you stand in the midst of nations,
and you will right the wrong.
You will feed your flock like a shepherd,
and fold the lambs to your breast;
in pastures of peace you'll lead them,
and give to the weary rest.

4 There's a voice in the wilderness crying,
a call from the ways untrod:
prepare in the desert a highway,
a highway for our God!
The valleys shall be exalted,
the lofty hills brought low;
make straight all the crooked places,
where the Lord our God may go!

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Prayer over the Gifts

When the gifts have been prepared,

All

**God of abundance,
we bring before you the precious fruits of your
creation,**

to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
 and so he won for you a holy people.
 He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
 and to give up his life on the cross,
 that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,
 and banish the darkness of sin and despair.
 By his resurrection
 he brings us into the light of your presence.
 Now with all creation we raise our voices
 to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus

Advent Sanctus

Trad. Lutheran; adapt. P. Halley

(Sung by all)

(‘Nun komm der Heiden Heiland’)

(Organ) *All*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

4 Women

Bles - sed is he who comes in the name_____ of the Lord.

4 Men

Bles - sed is he who comes in the

Bles - sed is he who comes in the name_____ of the Lord. Ho -
 name_____ of the Lord. Bles - sed is the Lord. Ho -

All

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

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Celebrant

Holy and gracious God,
accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus
Christ; who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks,
saying, "Take, and eat:
this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup,
saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you.
When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.

Gather into one all who share in these sacred
mysteries,

filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their
faith in the truth,

that together we may praise you and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church,
now and for ever.

Amen.

People

Celebrant

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
we are bold to pray,

All

**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 those who 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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread for distribution

Celebrant We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread**

The Communion

The celebrant invites the people to share in communion and may say,

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei *Missa Orbis Factor (sung by the choir)* Plainchant

**ALL are invited to come forward to receive both Bread and Wine.*

Gluten-free bread is available from those administering.

Wine is offered in individual cups.

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion (to be prayed by those at home) *

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you now in the sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen**

**Based on a prayer by St. Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787) used at the 2020 Easter celebration at The Episcopal Cathedral Church of Saint Peter and Saint Paul (Washington National Cathedral)*

Communion Motet This Is the Record of John O. Gibbons (1583-1625)

This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; and said plainly, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What art thou then? Art thou Elias? And he said, I am not. Art thou the prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, What art thou? That we may give an answer unto them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? And he said, I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord. (John 1:19-23)

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant God for whom we wait,
in this meal you give us a foretaste of that day
when the hungry will be fed with good things.
Send us forth to make known your deeds
and to proclaim the greatness of your name,
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**
Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

Then the following doxology may be said.

Celebrant 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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Closing Hymn

#108

MERTON

Hark, a Herald Voice Is Sounding

1 Hark, a herald voice is sounding:
"Christ is nigh," it seems to say.
"Cast away the dreams of darkness,
O ye children of the day!"

2 Wakened by the solemn warning,
let the earth-bound soul arise;
Christ, our sun, all sloth dispelling,
shines upon the morning skies.

3 Lo, the Lamb, so long expected,
comes with pardon down from heaven;
let us all, with deep repentance,
pray that we may be forgiven,

4 that when next he comes with glory,
and the world is wrapped in fear,
with his mercy he may shield us,
and with words of love draw near.

5 Honour, glory, might, and blessing
to the Father and the Son,
with the everlasting Spirit,
while eternal ages run.

Dismissal *By the Deacon*

Postlude Prelude in F Minor

J. S. Bach (BWV 534)

The Postlude - You are invited to be seated during the postlude to pray or simply to enjoy the music. Alternatively, you may depart in peace following the Deacon's Dismissal.

The Wine & Hosts are given today

*in loving memory of Grandparents
Beryl & Kenneth Seymour,
Nassau Bahamas.*

*The Bulletin is sponsored today
in loving memory of Grandparents
Beryl & Kenneth Seymour,
Nassau Bahamas.*

**Please join us this afternoon at 4pm
for An Advent Procession with Carols**

The Cathedral Choir begins this “journey from darkness to light” singing the Matin Responsory at the main entrance and progressing by stations to the High Altar. At each station a lesson is read, a carol is sung and candles are lit. The service culminates in the reading of St. Luke’s Gospel, in which the angel brings the news that Mary will bring forth a son, “and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.”

Thank you for joining us today!

Want to learn more about the Cathedral Church of All Saints? Please connect with one of our Greeters or you are welcome to visit www.cathedralchurchofallsaints.com.

You may also consider emailing Sarah Underwood, in the Cathedral Office at

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New Member Information Form

1. Please list the names of each family member in the space below:

SURNAME(s): _____

NAMES: _____

2. Please give your mailing address and telephone number:

3. Email address _____

check here for permission to add your e-mail address to our mailing list. You will receive a bi-monthly listing of Cathedral events called **Cathedral Happenings** and weekly **Sundays @ the Cathedral** announcements.

4. Would you like Offering Envelopes or are you interested in Automatic Offering?

Envelopes: Yes No Automatic Offering Yes No

**Please complete and return on the collection plate
or give to a Greeter. Thank you!**

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