

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of All Saints

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



December 8, 2024

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 8

The Holy Eucharist

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement

We begin by acknowledging that we are in Mi'kma'ki , the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) People first signed with the British Crown in 1725. The treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but in fact recognized Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

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.

Opening Hymn

On Jordan's Bank

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WINCHESTER NEW

Lighting of the 2nd Advent Candle—Peace

- Reader One* Because of war, because of violence in our communities, because there is still so much unrest in our hearts, we light a candle of peace...
- Reader Two* Because hatred is still so strong, because so many swords have not yet been remade into ploughshares, we light a candle of Peace... (*the second candle in the Advent wreath is lit.*) it joins the candle of Hope to illuminate our way.
- Reader One* May the light from these candles overwhelm the world.
- Reader Two* May the light from this candle today, say to all that God's peace is coming, on earth as it already is in heaven.
- All* **Friends, let us not be afraid, God's peace is at hand!**

Hymn

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O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v. 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
All

Almighty God,
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.

Trisagion from *Popule Meus* (*Sung by the choir*) T. L. de Victoria (c.1548-1611)

Hagios o Theos	Sanctus Deus	<i>Holy God</i>
Hagios ischyros	Sanctus fortis	<i>Holy and mighty</i>
Hagios athanatos	Sanctus et immortalis,	<i>Holy and immortal</i>
eleison imas	miserere nobis	<i>have mercy upon us</i>

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant
All

Let us pray.
God of mercy,
may the radiance of your redeeming love
rise in our hearts,
lighting the way through the shadows of darkness
and guiding our feet into the way of peace. Amen.

FWM Proposed Prayers (2004) alt.

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

Reader

A reading from Malachi [3:1-4]

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in

righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 19 The Song of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79)

TONE VIII.2



The Refrain is sung first by the choir and then by all and at the following places indicated.

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the house of his servant David. Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant.

Refrain

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life. ***Refrain***

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins. ***Refrain***

In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace. ***Refrain***

The Second Reading:

Reader A reading from the letter to the Philippians [1:3-11]

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the

compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

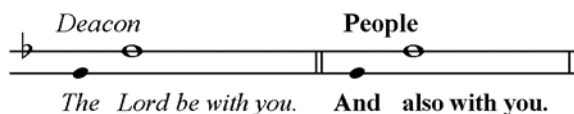
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There's a Voice in the Wilderness

ASCENSION

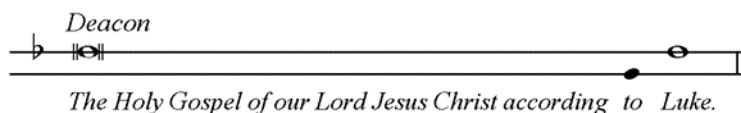
Gospel Processional vv. 1–3

Responses before the Gospel



Deacon **People**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.



Deacon

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



People

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gospel

All stand for the Gospel.

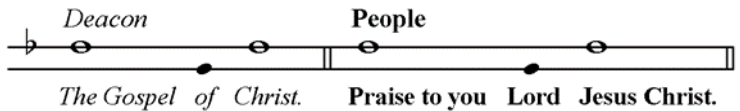
In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

‘The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,

make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God." ' -Luke [3:1-6]

Responses after the Gospel



Gospel Recessional v. 4

Sermon

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.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Prayer over the Gifts

When the gifts have been prepared,

All **God our strength,
 we are nothing without you.
 Receive all we offer you this day
 as you sustain us with your mercy;
 in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 2

<i>Celebrant</i>	People
<i>The Lord be with you.</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	People
<i>Lift up your hearts.</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	
<i>Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.</i>	
People	
It is right to give our thanks and praise.	

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
 through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
 our Saviour and Redeemer.
 He is your living Word,
 through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
 he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
 and shared our human nature.
 He lived and died as one of us,
 to reconcile us to you,
 the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will
 he stretched out his hands in suffering,
 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 ('Nun komm der Heiden Heiland')

Sung by all

Trad. Lutheran; adapt. P. Halley

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

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.

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

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.**

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

Celebrant

Dear friends, I invite you in this moment,
wherever you may be,
to receive Christ, in communion with the saints,
and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet
present with us now.
May this prayer be of comfort to you:
Lord, you stand at the door of my heart and knock.
You wait for me and only I can let you in.
I believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill
me with your presence.
Feed me with your body and unite me in your blood,
that I may be your blessing to a world in need. Amen

Agnus Dei The Short Communion Service (*Sung by the choir*)

A. Batten (c.1591-c.1637)

The Communion

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

Communion Anthem 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)

Communion Hymn

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Awake, O Sleeper, rise from Death

MARSH CHAPEL

Prayer after Communion

All **Faithful God,**
 we thank you for feeding us with this heavenly banquet.
 Help us always to hear the prophet's call
 to turn our hearts to you;
 in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

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

Celebrant

Go forth now to care for God's world.
Live in harmony with all creation. Go out into all
the world as prophets of a new way of living, and
preach the good news to all.
And the blessing of the Creator God, the Risen
Son, and the Promised Holy Spirit bless you that
you might be a blessing to others today and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Hark, a Herald Voice Is Sounding

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MERTON

Advent Responsory

I look from afar: And lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud
covering the whole earth.
Go ye out to meet him and say: Tell us, art thou he that is come to reign
over thy people Israel?
High and low, rich and poor, one with another, go ye out to meet him and
say: Hear, O thou shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep.
Tell us, art thou he that should come?
Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel.
Words: 1st Responsory; Advent Sunday at Matins Music: G. P. da Palestrina (c.1525-94)

Dismissal *by the Deacon*

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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 Dea-
con's Dismissal.

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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
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