

The Cathedral Church of St. James

The First Sunday of Advent

December 2, 2018 –

The Great Litany in Procession & Choral Eucharist at 11:00am



"Thou Shalt See the Son of Man Coming on a Cloud" by Helen Siegl, print, 1924-2009.

Every one of us, every human being, confronts at some time the collapse of meaning and direction in our lives – in anxiety, in illness, in unemployment or broken relationships, in all the forces that frustrate and diminish us as persons, and, at the last, in our own deaths. The Church has no pat answers to the dilemmas of existence, only a witness to what she knows. That under the mercy of God our perplexities, our failures, our betrayals, our limitations, can open into new freedoms, if we follow the way of Jesus. A century and a half ago, Coleridge wrote: ‘Christianity is not a theory, or a speculation, but a Life; not a philosophy of life, but a Life, and a living process. . . Try it.’ I don’t know how to better that advice; like Coleridge, I have found life in the God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, like millions in every age. . .”

- Eamon Duffy, *Faith of Our Fathers*, Continuum, New York: 2004.

“All the way to heaven is heaven, because Jesus said, "I am the way.”

- St. Catherine of Siena

Welcome to St. James Cathedral

This sacred land is the territory of several Indigenous Nations - the Wendat, the Haudenosaunee, and the Anishnaabe, with special recognition to the Mississaugas of New Credit. We also acknowledge that we are on the shores of Niigaani-gichigami/Lake Ontario. This territory is governed by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Treaty, an agreement between the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Anishnaabe Confederacy to peaceably share and sustain the life of the Great Lakes. In the spirit of that Treaty we seek to place at the centre of our gatherings the values of respectful reciprocity, diversity, peace, responsibility, and mutual aid.

Information about Cathedral events, ministries announcements can be found at the back of this booklet after the service program.

Questions? Speak to a sidesperson – the people wearing gold name tags.

Children & Families

Sunday School is offered at 11:00am for all children aged 5-12, including visitors, in the Library of the Cathedral Centre. Children and their families are invited to gather in the reserved pews near the entrance of the Cathedral with Children & Youth Coordinator Andrew Kuhl. During the Collect, Andrew will bring the group to the Library, returning to the service for the Eucharist. Speak to Andrew directly about registration or email him at akuhl@stjamescathedral.ca.

Nursery Care for preschoolers is available from 8:45am – 12:30pm on Sundays, in the Library (Cathedral Centre).

Accessibility

A Wheelchair Accessible Washroom is located at the front of the Cathedral through the doors by the pulpit.
Assisted hearing devices are available from the sidespersons.

Coffee Hour

Join us for coffee after the 9:00 and 11:00am services in Snell Hall of the Cathedral Centre. The Cathedral Centre is the glass and brick building located behind the Cathedral on Church Street.

Parking

There are a variety of inexpensive parking lots available around the Cathedral. Please see the leaflets at the back of the Cathedral or online at stjamescathedral.ca/contact for more information.

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*As this is a very public and open space please be aware of your personal belongings.
Do not leave them unattended in the Cathedral or in the Cathedral Centre.*

Welcome! We are so glad you have joined us for worship this morning. Please ensure that cell phones are turned off and refrain from taking photographs during the liturgy.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude Nun komm der Heiden Heiland

J. Pachelbel

Welcome and Announcements

Stewardship Moment

The Wardens

The liturgical leadership enters – please stand.

Children are invited to join the procession to the wreath, falling in after the choir.

Presider 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 Lighting of the Advent Wreath

One The Light shines in the darkness,

All **and the darkness did not overcome it.**

One You made your promise from generation to generation.

All **Teach us to hope in your promises.**

One A Reading from Jeremiah:

Jeremiah 33: 15

I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

The first candle is lit.

One God, who keeps his promises,

All **You fulfill the promises made,**

To the ancestors of our faith.

Teach us to hope in your promises,

Through Jesus Christ,

The light of the world.

Amen.

The Great Litany

Please kneel with the presiding celebrant and refer to the Litany insert.

Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

Children between the ages of 5-12 are invited to go to Sunday School (in the Cathedral Centre Library) by meeting Andrew Kuhl at the entrance to the Cathedral; they will return for the Eucharist.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Reading

Please be seated.

Jeremiah 33: 14-16

Reader The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm *Please remain seated.*

Psalms 25: 1-10—Chant by J. Turle

Choir Unto thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul;
my God, I have put my trust in thee.
O let me not be confounded,
neither let mine enemies triumph over me.
For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed;
but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.
Show me thy ways, O LORD,
and teach me thy paths.
Lead me forth in thy truth and teach me:
for thou art the God of my salvation;
in thee is my hope all the day long.
Call to remembrance, O LORD, thy tender mercies,
and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

O remember not the sins and offences of my youth;
 but according to thy mercy think thou upon me,
 O LORD, for thy goodness.
 Gracious and righteous is the LORD;
 therefore will he teach sinners in the way.
 Them that are meek shall he guide in judgement;
 and such as are gentle, them shall he teach his way.
 All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth,
 unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13

Reader How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Plainsong

Please stand as you are able and turn to face the Gospeller in the centre aisle.

Cantor Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! *People* Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Cantor Look up and raise your heads,
 because your redemption is drawing near.

People Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Holy Gospel

Luke 21: 25-36

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 Jesus said, ‘There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud” with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.’ Then he told them a parable: ‘Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.’

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.
People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

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.

Confession and Absolution

Presider 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.

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

Please stand, as you are able.

We offer each other a sign of peace. A handshake or a simple bow are appropriate.

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

An offering will now be taken for the life and ministry of the Cathedral.

Offertory Hymn

Text: Philipp Nicolai; tr. Carl P. Daw, Jr.; Music: Melody Hans Sachs;
adapt. Philipp Nicolai; adapt. and harm. J.S. Bach; Tune: Wachet Auf

1 "Sleep - ers, wake!" A voice as - tounds us; the
2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing. Her
3 Lamb of God, the heavens a - dore you; let

shout of ram - part - guards sur - rounds us: "A -
heart with joy - ful hope is spring - ing; she
saints and an - gels sing be - fore you, as

wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night's peace their
wakes and hur - ries through the night. Forth he comes, her
harps and cym - bals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the

cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons
bride - groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in
ci - ty's por - tals: through them we stream to

clear - ly spo - ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!
 truth vic - tor - ious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.
 join the im - mor - tals as we with joy your throne sur - round.

Rise up, and give us light; the bride - groom is in
 Now come, most wor - thy Lord, God's Son, in - car - nate
 No eye has known the sight; no ear heard such de -

sight. Al - le - lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and
 Word, al - le - lu - ia! We fol - low all and
 light: al - le - lu - ia! There - fore we sing to

has - ten there, that you the wed - ding feast may share."
 heed your call to come in - to the ban - quet hall.
 greet our King; for - ev - er let our prai - ses ring.

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

Thanksgiving & Consecration

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People 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 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 we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

Please kneel, as you are able.

Sanctus & Benedictus

Communion Service No. 6 – Barrie Cabena

Choir *Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth, pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus, qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.*

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.

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." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

People we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

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.

People Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

McNeil Robinson

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 for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider 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.

The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

Communion Service No. 6 – Barrie Cabena

Choir *Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.*
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

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.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Gluten-free hosts are available upon request.

If you choose not to receive communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

Simply cross your hands over your chest to indicate this to the priest.

Prayers for healing and anointing are available at the Lady Chapel.

Communion Hymn

*Text: C. Coffin; tr. J. Chandler; Music: A. Williams's
New Universal Psalmist, 1770; Tune: St. Thomas*

*Hymn text
below & on
facing page*

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of staves. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The music is written in a common time signature (C) and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first system ends with a double bar line. The second system continues the melody and ends with the text "A-men." written above the final notes.

Hymn text The Advent of our King our prayers must now employ,
And we must hymns of welcome sing in strains of holy joy.

The Everlasting Son incarnate deigns to be;
Himself a servant's form puts on, to set his servants free.

Hymn text Daughter of Sion, rise to meet thy lowly King;
cont'd Nor let thy faithless heart despise the peace he comes to bring.
As Judge, on clouds of light, he soon will come again,
And his true members all unite with him in heaven to reign.
Before the dawning day let sin's dark deeds be gone;
The old man all be put away, the new man all put on.
All glory to the Son, who comes to set us free,
With Father, Spirit, ever One, through all eternity.

Motet People Look East *Barry Ferguson*

Choir People, look east! The time is near of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east, and sing today: Love, the guest, is on the way.
Furrows, be glad! Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted there:
give up your strength the seed to nourish,
that in course the flower may flourish.
People, look east and sing today: Love, the rose, is on the way.
Stars, keep the watch: when night is dim one more light the bowl shall brim,
shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and moon together.
People, look east, and sing today: Love, the star, is on the way.
Angels, announce to man and beast him who cometh from the East.
Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming.
People, look east, and sing today: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

Prayer after Communion

Presider Let us pray. *Please stand, as you are able.*
God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life.
Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of
man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord.
People Amen.

The Blessing

Presider Be steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and untiring in love all the days of
your life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the
Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
People Amen.

Hymn

Text: John Cennick, Charles Wesley, Martin Madan, alt.;
Music: Thomas Olivers and Martin Madan; Tune: Helmsley

Hymn text
on facing
page

The first system of musical notation consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is common time (C). The music begins with a series of chords and single notes, primarily using half and quarter notes.

The second system continues the musical notation with two staves. It features similar rhythmic patterns and chordal structures as the first system, maintaining the three-flat key signature and common time.

The third system of musical notation consists of two staves. The notation includes various chordal textures and melodic lines, consistent with the previous systems.

The fourth system of musical notation consists of two staves. It includes repeat signs (double bar lines with two dots) indicating repeated rhythmic or chordal patterns. The notation continues with half and quarter notes.

The fifth and final system of musical notation consists of two staves. It concludes the hymn with a final chord and the text "A-men." written above the notes. The notation includes a final cadence with a double bar line.

Hymn text Lo! he comes with clouds descending, once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluia! Christ appears on earth again.

Every eye shall now behold him, robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at nought and sold him, pierced and nailed him to the tree,
Deeply wailing, shall the true Messiah see.

Yea, amen, let all adore thee, high on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory, claim the kingdom for thine own:
Alleluia! Thou shalt reign, and thou alone.

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Fantasie on Veni Emmanuel

Alec Rowley

Presiding Celebrant: The Reverend Leigh Kern
Litanist & Homilist: The Reverend Andrew MacDonald
First Reader: Clara Fraser • Second Reader: Yosola Adeoye
Sung by the Choir of St. James Cathedral
Director of Music: Robert Busiakiewicz • Organist: Ian Sadler
Organ Scholar: Nick Veltmeyer

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