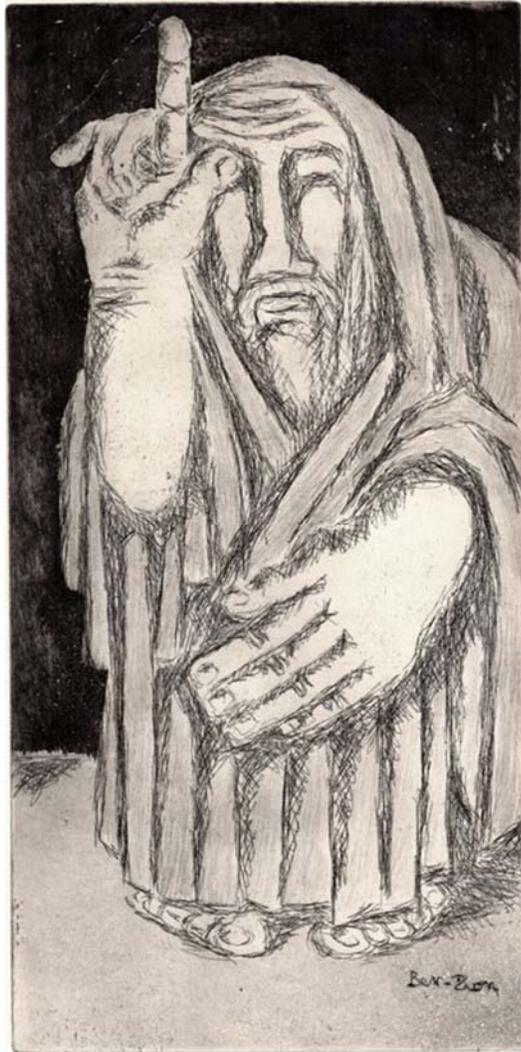


# The Cathedral Church of St. James

The Third Sunday of Advent

*December 16, 2018 - Twilight Recital at 4:00pm; Choral Evensong at 4:30pm*



*"The Prophet" by Ben-Zion, Etching/aquatint (1897-1987).*

“Gratitude is not a simple emotion or an obvious attitude. It is a difficult discipline to constantly reclaim my whole past as the concrete way in which God has led me to this moment and is sending me into the future. It is hard precisely because it challenges me to face the painful moments - experiences of rejection and abandonment, feelings of loss and failure - and gradually to discover in them the pruning hands of God purifying my heart for deeper love... Pruning means cutting, reshaping, removing what diminishes vitality...”

Grateful people are those who can celebrate even the pains of life because they trust when harvest time comes the fruit will show that the pruning was not punishment but purification.”

– *Henri Nouwen, from 'All is Grace'*



## **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.*

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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](mailto:akuhl@stjamescathedral.ca).

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**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.

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Do not leave them unattended in the Cathedral or in the Cathedral Centre.*

## 4:00pm Twilight Recital

*Thomas Fitches, Organist*

Dialogue in C Major - *Louis Marchand (1669-1732)*

Noël Chantons de voix hautaine - *Jean-Francois Dandrieu (1682-1738)*

Ecce Dominus veniet: Six Antiennes pour le Temps de Noël –

*Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)*

Es ist ein Ros' Entsprungen - *Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)*

Es ist ein Ros' Entsprungen - *Lionel Rogg (b. 1936)*

*Welcome!*

*Please observe silence before the service begins and ensure that cell phones are turned off.*

*Photography is not permitted during the liturgy.*

## 4:30pm Choral Evensong

*Please remain seated.*

**Introit** A Tender Shoot

*Otto Goldschmitt*

*Choir*

A tender shoot has started up from a root of grace,  
as ancient seers imparted from Jesse's holy race:  
It blooms without a blight, blooms in the cold bleak winter,  
turning our darkness into light.

This shoot Isaiah taught us, from Jesse's root should spring;  
The Virgin Mary brought us the branch of which we sing;  
Our God of endless might gave her this child to save us,  
Thus turning darkness into light.

*Please stand, as you are able, when the organ plays.*

## Preces and Responses

*William Smith*

*Officiant*

O Lord, open thou our lips;

*Choir*

And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Officiant*

O God, make speed to save us;

*Choir*

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without  
end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord;

The Lord's Name be praised.

*Please be seated.*

*Chants by John Goss and Walford Davies*

## **Psalm 13**

*Choir*

How long wilt thou forget me, O LORD, for ever?

how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

How long shall I seek counsel in my soul,  
and be so vexed in my heart?

how long shall mine enemy triumph over me?

Consider and hear me, O LORD my God;

lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death;

Lest mine enemy say, 'I have prevailed against him';

for if I be cast down, they that trouble me will rejoice.

But my trust is in thy mercy,

and my heart is joyful in thy salvation.

I will sing unto the LORD, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me;

yea, I will praise the Name of the LORD Most High.

## **Psalm 14**

*Choir*

The fool hath said in his heart,

'There is no God.'

They are corrupt, and become abominable in their doings;

there is none that doeth good, no not one.

The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men,

to see if there were any that would understand, and seek after God.

But they are all gone out of the way,

they are altogether become abominable;

there is none that doeth good, no not one.

Have they no knowledge, that they are all such workers of mischief,

eating up my people as it were bread,

and call not upon the LORD?

There were they brought in great fear, even where no fear was;

for God is in the generation of the righteous.

As for you, ye have made a mock at the counsel of the poor;

because he putteth his trust in the LORD.

O that salvation for Israel were come out of Sion!

When the LORD restoreth the fortunes of his people,

Then shall Jacob rejoice,

and Israel shall be right glad.

*Please stand, as you are able.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

**First Lesson**      *Please be seated.*

*Amos 9: 11-15*

*Reader*      On that day I will raise up the booth of David that is fallen, and repair its breaches, and raise up its ruins, and rebuild it as in the days of old; in order that they may possess the remnant of Edom and all the nations who are called by my name, says the Lord who does this. The time is surely coming, says the Lord, when the one who ploughs shall overtake the one who reaps, and the treader of grapes the one who sows the seed; the mountains shall drip sweet wine, and all the hills shall flow with it. I will restore the fortunes of my people Israel, and they shall rebuild the ruined cities and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and drink their wine, and they shall make gardens and eat their fruit. I will plant them upon their land, and they shall never again be plucked up out of the land that I have given them, says the Lord your God.

*Reader*      Here endeth the first lesson.

**Magnificat**      *Please stand, as you are able.*

*George Dyson in F*

*Choir*      My soul doth magnify the Lord,  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.  
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.  
For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty hath magnified me; and holy is his Name.  
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.  
He hath showed strength with his arm;  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
He hath put down the mighty from their seat,  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.  
He hath filled the hungry with good things;  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.  
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel;  
As he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

## **Second Lesson**

*Please be seated.*

*John 3: 22-30*

*Reader* After this Jesus and his disciples went into the Judean countryside, and he spent some time there with them and baptized. John also was baptizing at Aenon near Salim because water was abundant there; and people kept coming and were being baptized—John, of course, had not yet been thrown into prison. Now a discussion about purification arose between John’s disciples and a Jew. They came to John and said to him, ‘Rabbi, the one who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you testified, here he is baptizing, and all are going to him.’ John answered, ‘No one can receive anything except what has been given from heaven. You yourselves are my witnesses that I said, “I am not the Messiah, but I have been sent ahead of him.” He who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom’s voice. For this reason my joy has been fulfilled. He must increase, but I must decrease.’

*Reader* Here endeth the second lesson.

**Nunc Dimittis** *Please stand, as you are able.*

*George Dyson in F*

*Choir* Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

## **Apostles’ Creed**

*Officiant* I believe in God

*All* the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of

God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*Choir* And with thy spirit.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Please kneel, as you are able.*

*Choir* Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Officiant* Our Father

*All* 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. Amen.

*Officiant* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

*Choir* And grant us thy salvation.

*Officiant* O Lord, save the Queen;

*Choir* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

*Officiant* Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

*Choir* And make thy chosen people joyful.

*Officiant* O Lord, save thy people;

*Choir* And bless thine inheritance.

*Officiant* Give peace in our time, O Lord;

*Choir* Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou O Lord.

*Officiant* O God, make clean our hearts within us;

*Choir* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## **The Collects**

*Officiant* O Lord Jesu 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 the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, 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.

*Choir* Amen.

*Officiant* 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.

*Choir* Amen.

*Officiant* O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

*Choir* Amen.

*Officiant* Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

*Choir* Amen.

*Please be seated.*

**Anthem** A Spotless Rose

*Text: 14th Century German;  
Music: Herbert Howells*

*Choir* A spotless rose is blowing sprung from a tender root,  
Of ancient seers' foreshowing of Jesse, promised fruit.  
Its fairest bud unfolds to light amid the cold, cold winter,  
And in the dark midnight.  
The rose which I am singing, whereof Isaiah said,  
Is from its sweet root springing in Mary, purest Maid.  
For though our God's great love and might,  
The Blessed Babe she bare us, in a cold, cold winter's night.

## Homily

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

*Please stand, as you are able.*

## Hymn at the Collection

*Text: Latin (6th cent.); tr. J.M. Neale, alt.; Music: Sarum Plainsong, 7th cent.; arr. J.H. Arnold; Tune: Conditor Alme Siderum*

*Hymn text  
below and  
on facing  
page*

The musical score is arranged in four systems, each with a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The music is a plainsong-style setting with a simple, rhythmic melody. The final system concludes with the word "A - men." written below the vocal line.

*Hymn text*

Creator of the starry height, thy people's everlasting Light,  
Jesu, Redeemer of us all, hear thou thy servants when they call.

Thou, sorrowing at the helpless cry of all creation doomed to die,  
didst save our lost and guilty race by healing gifts of heavenly grace.

Thou cam'st, the Bridegroom of the bride, as drew the world to eventide;  
proceeding from a virgin-shrine, the spotless Victim all divine.

At thy great Name, exalted now, all knees in lowly homage bow;  
all things in heaven and earth adore, and own thee King for evermore.

To thee, O Holy One, we pray, our Judge in that tremendous day,  
ward off, while yet we dwell below, the weapons of our crafty foe.

*Hymn text cont'd* To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, praise, honour, might, and glory be from age to age eternally. Amen.

## Prayers

*Please kneel, as you are able.*

### A Prayer of Saint John Chrysostom

*Leader* Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

*People* Amen.

### Advent Prose

*Please join in the refrain.*

*Refrain* ***Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness. (Isaiah 45:8)***

*Choir* Be not wroth very sore, O Lord, neither remember iniquity for ever; Thy holy cities are a wilderness, Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation: our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee. *(Isaiah 64:9-11)* ***Refrain (all)***

*Choir* We have sinned, and are as an unclean thing, and we all do fade as a leaf: And our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away; Thou hast hid thy face from us: and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities. *(Isaiah 64:5-7)* ***Refrain (all)***

*Choir* Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen; That ye may know me and believe me: I, even I, am the Lord, and beside me there is no Saviour: and there is none that can deliver out of my hand. *(Isaiah 43:10-13)* ***Refrain (all)***

*Choir* Comfort ye, comfort ye my people; my salvation shall not tarry: I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions: fear not, for I will save thee: for I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer. *(Isaiah 40 and 41)* ***Refrain (all)***

## The Blessing

*Officiant* 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.

## Final Respond

*Ferial*

*Officiant* The Lord be with you;

*Choir* And with thy spirit.

*Officiant* The Lord give us his peace;

*Choir* And life eternal. Amen.

**Postlude** Chorale Prelude “Gelobet seist du, Jesu Christ”

*Helmut Walcha*

*Officiant: The Reverend Andrew MacDonald • Homilist: The Reverend Leigh Kern*

*First Reader: Karin Tari • Second Reader: Susan Boucaud*

*Director of Music: Robert Busiakiewicz • Guest Organist: Thomas Fitches*

*Sung by the Choir of St. James Cathedral*

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