The Cathedral Church of St. James

The First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2019 – The Great Litany in Procession & Choral Eucharist at 11:00am



Gestures of Advent - Hope, Harriet Dixon 2019

This series of mixed media images explores the four themes of Advent – hope, peace, joy and love – reflected through hand gestures and inspired by ancient practices. Each image is accompanied by the words of an historic Saint, a reminder of our communion with Christian peoples throughout time, as we wait together in expectation this Advent.

> Lord, you have made us for yourself and our hearts are restless until we find our rest in you. - St. Augustine of Hippo (354 – 430)

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 Rorate Caeli

Jeanne Demessieux

Welcome and Announcements

The liturgical leadership enters – please stand, as you are able. 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 All	You are the Light of the World, Let us share the light of Christ with the world.	
One All	Jesus gives us Hope, Let our hope in Christ shine in the world.	
One	A reading from Isaiah <i>Isaiah 2: 5</i> Oh house of Jacob, come let us walk in the light of the Lord.	
	The first candle is lit.	
One All	Jesus, you fulfill the longings of the prophets of old. Teach us to place our hope in you, so our lives will point to you, the Hope 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. Amen.

People

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.

Isaiah 2: 1-5

Reader The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

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

PsalmPlease remain seated.Psalm 122—Chant by Charles Hylton StewartChoirI was glad when they said unto me,
'We will go unto the house of the LORD.'Behold, our feet now stand
within thy gates, O Jerusalem.
Jerusalem is built as a city
that is at unity in itself;

Whither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the LORD, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the LORD.
For there were set the thrones for judgement, even the thrones of the house of David.
O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: may they prosper that love thee.
Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.
For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will wish thee prosperity.
Yea, because of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek to do thee good.

The Second Reading

Romans 13: 11-14

Reader Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

ReaderThe word of the Lord.PeopleThanks 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

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospeller But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

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,

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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. Johann Sebastian Bach; Tune: Wachet Auf





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.				
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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

Missa Brevis a 8 – Eleanor Daley

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 children; 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

PresiderGod of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.AllHappy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

The Communion

PresiderThe gifts of God for the People of God.PeopleThanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

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. John Chandler; Music: A. Williams's New Universal Psalmodist, 1770; Tune: St. Thomas

Missa El Cid – Judith Weir

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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 textDaughter of Sion, rise to meet thy lowly King;cont'dNor 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.

All glory to the Son, who comes to set us free, With Father, Spirit, ever One, through all eternity.

Motet O Salutaris Hostia

Choir

O salutaris hostia quae caeli pandis ostium; bella premunt hostilia, da robur, fer auxilium. Uni trinoque Domino sit sempiterna gloria: qui vitam sine termino, nobis donet in patria. Amen.

O saving victim! opening wide the gate of heaven to us below; our foes press hard on every side. Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow. To thy great name be endless praise Immortal Godhead, one in three; Grant us endless length of days, in our true home with thee. Amen.

Prayer after Communion

PresiderLet 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.PeopleAmen.

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.

Nicolas Gombert

Hymn

Hymn text on facing page



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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

- DeaconGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.
- Postlude Herr Christ, der einge Gottes-Sohn, BWV 601 Johann Sebastian Bach

Presiding Celebrant: The Dean Litanist & Homilist: The Reverend Andrew MacDonald First Reader: Ruth Davis • Second Reader: Susan Boucaud Sung by the Choir of St. James Cathedral Director of Music: Robert Busiakiewicz • Organist: David Simon Wayne Vance Organ Scholar: Patrick McElcheran

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