# The Cathedral Church of St. James The Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022 Sung Eucharist at 9:00am



The Cathedral Church of St. James
Diocese of Toronto • Anglican Church of Canada

# 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 the Credit First Nation. 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.

#### Liturgical Note

In the context of Christian Liturgy, Israel does not refer to the current political state, but either to the historic Hebrews of the ancient Near East or, in Christian theology, to all people who put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ.

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#### **Children & Families**

Godly Play meets every week at both the 9:00am and 11:00am services. Please email Karyne Whalen at <a href="kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca">kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca</a> for more information.

# **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 in Snell Hall following the 9:00am & 11:00am services.

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**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** Fantasia in G

William Byrd

Children are invited to gather at the Advent wreath before proceeding to St. George's Chapel for Godly Play; they will return at the offertory.

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: The Second Candle - Peace

Leader Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Leader

Today the first candle in the Advent Wreath, the candle of **HOPE** continues to burn. On this the second Sunday in Advent, we will light the candle of **PEACE** as we continue to prepare ourselves for the coming of the Prince of Peace.

The prophet Isaiah's said, "For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." (Isaiah 9:6) Jesus, himself, said "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. (John 14:27). Lord Jesus, we look for your coming as the peace of the world. As we prepare for the coming of Jesus,

People Lord, kindle your peace in our hearts.

The second candle is lit.

*Leader* Let us pray:

People Graci

Gracious God, grant that we may find peace as we prepare for our Lord's birth. May divisions among us and our families be peacefully resolved. May there be peace in our cities and in the nations of your world. Help us to see the paths of peace in our lives, and then give to us courage to follow them. Help us, Lord, to remember that you only are the giver of lasting peace and that you are always with us. Amen.

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Hymn Tune: Winchester New

All

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.

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.

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

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.

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

Text: Charles Coffin; tr. John Chandler, alt. Music: Melody *Musicalisches Hand-Buch*, Hamburg, 1690; harm. William Henry Monk, alt.

# Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray.

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.

People Amen.

#### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Reading

Isaiah 11: 1-10

Reader

A shoot shall come out from the stump 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, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader

The word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

**Psalm** 

Psalm 72: 1-7, 18-19



Cantor

Give the king your judgements, O God,

and your righteousness to the sön of a king.

All

Then shall he judge your people <u>right</u>-eous'ly

and your poor with jus-tice.

Cantor

May the mountains bring forth peace,

and the little hills righteousness for the peo-ple.

All

May he defend the poor among the peo-ple,

deliver the children of the needy and crush the op-pres-sor.

Cantor May he live as long as the sun and moon en-dure,

from one generation to an-o-ther.

All May he come down like rain upon the mown grass,

like the showers that wa-ter the earth.

Cantor In his time shall righteousness <u>flou</u>-rish,

and abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

All Blessed be the Lord, the God of <u>Is</u>-ra^el,

who alone does won-der-ful things.

Cantor And blessed be his glorious name for ev-er.

All May all the earth be filled with his glory. A-men. A-men.

# The Second Reading

Romans 15: 4-13

Reader

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, 'Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name'; and again he says, 'Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people'; and again, 'Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him'; and again Isaiah says, 'The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.' May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Veni Emmanuel

Cantor Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Cantor Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

All flesh shall see the salvation of God.

People Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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 In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea,

proclaiming, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." 'Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. 'I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

# **Homily**

All

# The Apostles' Creed

Presider 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

Presider

Gathered in God's presence on this second Sunday of Advent, as we prepare for the coming of the Lord, let us pray for the church, for the world and for those in need, responding "Lord Jesus, come soon".

Intercessor We pray to you, Lord.People Lord Jesus, come soon.

At the conclusion of the prayers.

Presider

God of peace, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people and you know our needs before we ask. Strengthen us as beacons of peace for the coming of your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. In your mighty name we pray.

People 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.

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

We offer each other a sign of peace, as you feel comfortable.

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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#### THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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

## **Offertory Hymn**

Tune: Tempus Adest Floridum

All

When the King shall come again all his power revealing, splendour shall announce his reign, life and joy and healing; earth no longer in decay, hope no more frustrated; this is God's redemption day longingly awaited.

In the desert, trees take root, fresh from his creation; plants and flowers and sweetest fruit join the celebration; rivers spring up from the earth, barren lands adorning. Valleys, this is your new birth; mountains, greet the morning!

Strengthen feeble hands and knees; fainting hearts, be cheerful! God, who comes for such as these, seeks and saves the fearful. Deaf ears, hear the silent tongues sing away their weeping; blind eyes, see the lifeless ones walking, running, leaping!

There God's highway shall be seen where no roaring lion, nothing evil or unclean, walks the road to Zion: ransomed people homeward bound all your praises voicing, see your Lord with glory crowned, share in his rejoicing!

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## Prayer over the Gifts

Presider 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.

People Amen.

# The Great Thanksgiving

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.

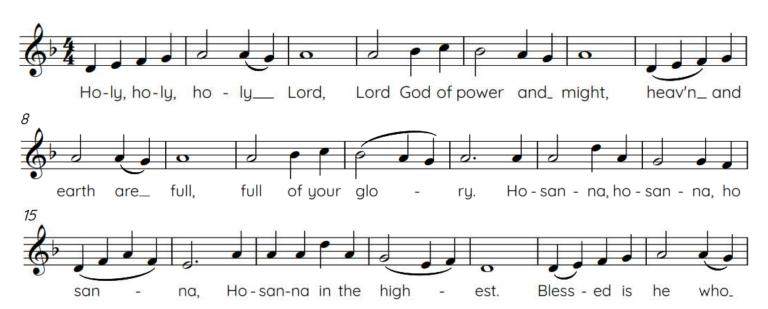
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heav

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.

#### Sanctus & Benedictus

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Presider

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling a people into covenant with you; 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.

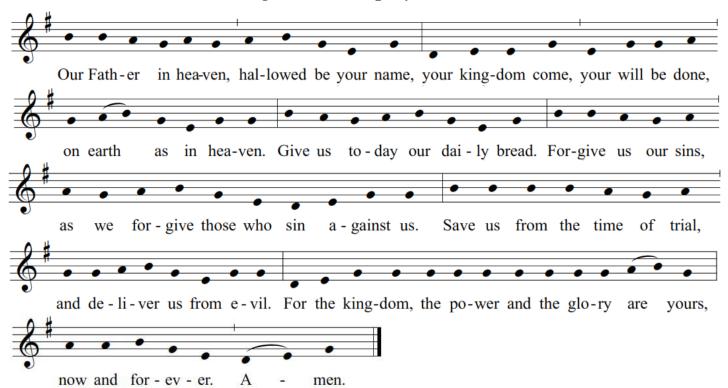
In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in 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,



## The Breaking of the Bread

Presider God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

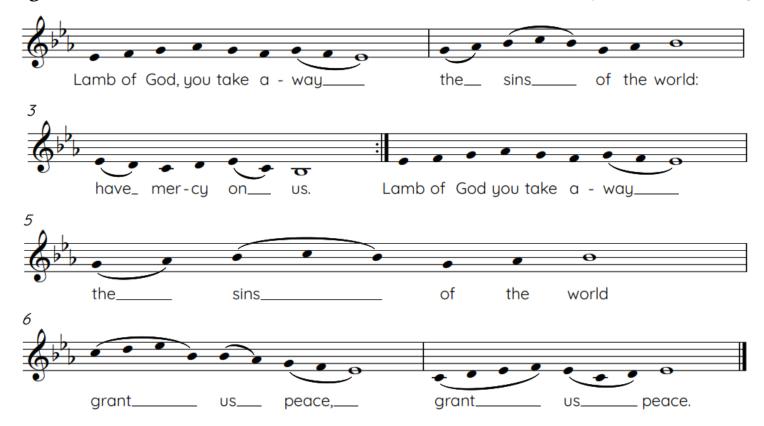
All Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

### The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

**People** Thanks be to God.

## Agnus Dei



All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.
Gluten-free hosts are available upon request. It is not permitted to dip the bread in the wine for health reasons. 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.

# **Communion Hymn**

All Kindle a flame to lighten the dark, and take all fear away.

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# **Communion Hymn**

All Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one body, come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.

Come now, O God of love, make us one body, come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.

Come now and set us free, O God, our Saviour, come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile all nations.

Tune: O-So-So

Come, Hope of unity, make us one body, come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile all nations.

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# **Prayer after Communion**

Presider Let us pray.

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.

People Amen.

Presider Glory to God,

People 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.

## 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.

### Announcements

Hymn Tune: Regent Square

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Herald! Sound the note of judgement, warning note of right and wrong, turning us from sin and sadness, till once more we sing the song. Sound the trumpet! Tell the message! Christ the Saviour King has come!

Herald! Sound the note of gladness! Tell the news that Christ is here; make a pathway through the desert for the one who brings God near. Sound the trumpet! Tell the message! Christ the Saviour King has come!

Herald! Sound the note of pardon! Those repenting are forgiven; God restores the wayward children, and to all new life is given. Sound the trumpet! Tell the message! Christ the Saviour King has come!

Herald! Sound the note of triumph! Christ has come to share our life, bringing God's own love and power, granting victory in our strife. Sound the trumpet! Tell the message! Christ the Saviour King has come!

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#### **Dismissal**

Priest This service of worship is ended, our service in the world continues. Let

us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude

The flowers in the Cathedral are given to the glory of God.

At the High Altar, in loving memory of
Allan Stephen Blott, K.C. 1941-2022

At the Lady Altar, in loving memory of
Elisabeth Muir

Presiding Celebrant: The Very Reverend Peter Wall Homilist: The Reverend Canon John Hill Reader & Intercessor: Peter Dawes

Communion Ministers: Peter Dawes & Sarah McKinnon

Stewards: Rob Haines & Robert Hart

Music Director & Organist: Thomas Bell • Wayne Vance Organ Scholar: Jacob Wiens

Assisting at the Organ: Imre Olah • Sung by The St. James Singers

Honorary Verger: Paul D. Seddon, odt

#### PRAYER CYCLE

This week, please pray for:
The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem &
The Middle East; Project Ploughshares
– the peace institute of the Canadian
Council of Churches; and the Music
Ministry of the Cathedral

#### **PASTORAL CARE**

If you know anyone who would benefit from a call from our pastoral care team, please be in touch with our Sub-Dean & Vicar, The Rev'd Canon Dr. Stephen Fields: <a href="mailto:sfields@stjamescathedral.ca">sfields@stjamescathedral.ca</a>; 416-364-7865, ext. \*235 or The Reverend Canon Beth Benson: <a href="mailto:bbenson@stjamescathedral.ca">bbenson@stjamescathedral.ca</a>, 416-364-7865, ext. \*237

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## ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS - Sunday, December 4, 2022

- \*8:00am: Said Eucharist: The order of service is found in the leaflet. The Collect, Epistle, and Gospel are also provided.
- \* Reading in the Cathedral at Sunday services Workshop: Today at 1:00pm
- \*Advent Recital by Duo Oriana (artists in residence): Today at 4:00pm.
- \*Visit us: The Cathedral is open from 10:00am-3:00pm, Monday-Friday.
- \*2023 Offering Envelopes are available for pick-up today in the West aisle.

## LIVING HOPE, PEACE, JOY, AND LOVE...

Advent is a short, four-week, sacred season when we anticipate and prepare for the coming of our Lord Jesus – not only as a past event that changed the world forever but as a present reality and a future promise. Come Lord Jesus, we pray!

Our Advent wreath helps us to mark this season as we reflect on the gifts of hope, peace, joy, and love – gifts of God made known in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Each week we light another candle, giving thanks for the hope, peace, joy, and love we have in Jesus Christ, no matter what the world serves up.

For those grieving and those without affordable housing or food security, for the lonely and those far from home, the longing for hope, peace, joy, and love takes on even deeper meaning at this time of year. Our Cathedral and our partners respond every week with care and hospitality and over the next two weeks, we are preparing to welcome Drop-In guests for a special Christmas Lunch on Friday, December 23. There will be Christmas Carols, too! The Drop-In will also be celebrating the New Year with a special lunch with our guests on Friday, December 30.

Winter is a challenging season for those who feel isolated. We know that the need for ongoing connection increases during this challenging season. The Drop-In is a caring place where our guests can reconnect with friends, make new acquaintances, and fill the vacuum caused by isolation. A warm nutritious meal brings it all together!

Your support makes it possible for us to share the hope, peace, love, and joy of Advent and Christmas throughout the winter season. Every contribution of time and money makes a real difference in people's lives. Everyone is invited to be part of this caring ministry.

For more information or to sign up to volunteer on December 23, 30, or January 6 contact Kathy Biasi at <a href="mailto:kbiasi@stjamescathedral.com">kbiasi@stjamescathedral.com</a>. You can make a designated donation to the Drop-In by following this secure link: <a href="mailto:stjamescathedral-mobile.pllenty.com">stjamescathedral-mobile.pllenty.com</a>

Also, if you want to help with the **St. James Christmas Food Drive**, please donate non-perishable food items in the red bin located in the Cathedral (King Street entrance). Your **donations will support food programs** at St. Bartholomew's Church in Regent Park.

#### PLAN AHEAD: THIS CHRISTMAS AT THE CATHEDRAL

## Sunday, December 11 at 11:00am: Coffee Hour

On December 11, the Coffee Hour following the 11:00am service, will be sponsored by the York Group. Join us in Snell Hall for refreshments and Christmas treats and come hear a little about the York Group. All are welcome!

# Saturday, December 17 at 4:00pm: Blue Christmas Service



Christmas is a difficult time for many of us, especially those grieving the loss of a loved one. St. James Cathedral offers a service of prayer and reflection to help us prepare for the holiday in faith and hope, despite our losses.

Light refreshments will be served after the service.

## Christmas Eve, Christmas Day & New Year's Day



Christmas Eve: Saturday, Dec. 24:

4:00pm: Festive Organ Recital

4:30pm: A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

7:30pm: Choral Eucharist

The recital and services will also be live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel at youtube.com/tordio135.

#### Christmas Day: Sunday, Dec. 25:

# 8:00am: Said Eucharist 9:00am: Sung Eucharist 11:00am: Choral Eucharist (also live-streamed on the Diocesan

*YouTube channel)* 

(There is no Choral Evensong on

Christmas Day).

## New Year's Day: Sunday, Jan. 1:

8:00am: Said Eucharist 9:00am: Sung Eucharist 11:00am: Choral Eucharist 3:30pm: Festive Music

**4:00pm:** Choral Evensong, Presentations of the Order of the Diocese of Toronto, and Installation of the New Chancellor (also live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel at youtube.com/tordio135)

## The best Christmas gift: St. James Cathedral pewter ornaments!

Come visit us and get your ornaments **every Sunday until December 18 after the 9:00am and 11:00am services during the coffee hour.** Also, buy them at our front desk Monday to Friday from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Each ornament is \$25.

For more information: Kate Uchendu at kate1973.ku@gmail.com

#### STAY UP TO DATE

## Welcome baby George Latimer-Dennis!

Congratulations to Claire and Micah Latimer-Dennis on the arrival of baby George! Everyone is doing well and enjoying getting acquainted. We send them our best wishes, love, and prayers!

#### **Christmas Memorial Flowers**

A beautiful way to remember a loved one at Christmas is through the memorial poinsettias that will be placed in the Cathedral for the season. Send us the names of your loved ones in one of three ways **before Wednesday**, **December 7**:

- 1. Email <u>lscapillato@stjamescathedral.ca</u>
- 2. Placed in a clearly marked envelope on the collection plate during our services.
- 3. Call into 416-364-7865, ext. \*229.

We are asking for donations of \$40 (minimum) per name or per couple. Donations will be designated to the Cathedral Flower Fund and are tax-receiptable.

#### **African Fashion and Culture**

The Interim Dean, Yosola Sholagbade-Adeoye, and Nancy Mallett invite all who may be interested in joining them for a meeting on **Monday**, **5 December**, at **2:00pm** in the Lecture Room of the Cathedral Centre to brainstorm ideas for a special evening, or possibly week, to celebrate the diversity of the Cathedral congregation and its surrounding community and the common interest in fashion and its expression of self sometime in late Spring 2023. Members of the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood and other Cathedral neighbours have also been invited to talk about this exciting idea and initiative. Please join us if you can!

## ADVENT CALENDAR AT THE CATHEDRAL

## Advent through the Gospels

Everyone is invited to gather during the 4 weeks of Advent as we read and reflect together on the themes we find in the Sunday gospel passages. There are three ways to participate:

- 1. 'Zoom' with the Interim Dean on the four **Monday evenings** of Advent at 7:00pm (Nov. 28 Dec. 19). Please register for Zoom coordinates by sending an email to info@stjamescathedral.ca
- 2. Join the Scripture Circle in-person in the Library on the four **Wednesday mornings** of Advent at 11:00am (Nov 30-Dec 21).
- 3. Join the "Becoming the Story We Tell" Small Group in-person in the Library on the four **Wednesdays evenings** of Advent at 7:00pm (Nov 30-Dec 21).

For one hour, we will think about what Advent means, how we approach the Christmas season, how we 'prepare ourselves', and the ways in which four specific Gospel readings for the season speak to us. We will conclude each evening in prayer.

You will be sent the readings. Come - listen - share - learn - enjoy!

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL: YOU ARE INVITED

Morning Prayer – online only Monday – Friday at 8:30am via the Cathedral YouTube channel Holy Eucharist at 12:15pm Monday – Friday In the Cathedral - St. George's Chapel.

## TUESDAY: December 6 - our last Organ Recital of the season at 1:00pm

Join us at St. James Cathedral to enjoy a 40-minute concert by Jennifer Goodine.

Our Organ Recitals will be back on Tuesday, January 10, 2023.

## WEDNESDAY: At 11:00am & 7:00pm

\*At 11:00am: Join the Scripture Circle in-person in the Library on the four Wednesday mornings of Advent (Nov 30-Dec 21) for "Advent through the Gospels".

Please contact Canon Beth Benson for more information at <a href="mailto:bbenson@stjamescathedral.ca">bbenson@stjamescathedral.ca</a>. (See page 3 for details).

\*At 7:00pm: Join the "Becoming the Story We Tell" Small Group in-person in the Library on the four Wednesdays evenings of Advent (Nov 30-Dec 21). (See page 3 for details).

## FRIDAY: Drop-In from 1:30pm to 3:30pm:

Our Cathedral opens its doors for guests to come in for a meal in Snell Hall.

#### SATURDAY: Pre-recorded Morning Prayer - 8:30am

Watch it online through the Cathedral YouTube Channel.

#### SUNDAY: Coffee Hour: Join us!

\*The 9:00am Coffee Hour is held in the Cathedral's Southwest Porch \*The 11:00am Coffee Hour is held in Snell Hall in the Cathedral Centre.

#### **SUNDAY SERVICES**

8:00am: Said Eucharist Readings for next Sunday,

9:00am: Sung Eucharist
11:00am: Choral Eucharist
(Also live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel at James 5: 7-10

youtube.com/tordio135)

Matthew 11: 2-11

4:30pm: Choral Evensong

Did you know? The operating cost for the Cathedral is \$5,500 a day. We need your help to continue our work of worship, ministry, and community outreach. Please use the tap machine located in the Cathedral to donate with a credit/debit card. Thank you!

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