

# The Cathedral Church of St. James

The Birth of the Lord - Christmas Day

*Sunday, December 25, 2022 –  
Procession & Choral Eucharist at 11:00am*



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

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### **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**

There will be no Godly Play today, Christmas Day. Families and children are encouraged to worship together. Join us again at both the 9:00am and 11:00am services on January 1!  
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There will not be a Coffee Hour today or on January 1, 2023. Our Regular Coffee Hours will resume on Sunday, January 8, 2023 after the 9:00am & 11:00am services. Join us!

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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**

*Mass Setting: Communion Service in F - Harold Darke*

**Prelude** Noel

*D. Antalffy*

### **Procession**

*Deacon* Let us go forth in peace.

*People* **In the Name of Christ. Amen.**

### **Processional Hymn**

Tune: Adeste Fideles

*All* O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold him, born the King of angels:  
*O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

God of God, Light of Light,  
Lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
Very God, Begotten not created;  
*O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,  
Glory to God in the highest;  
*O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle,  
leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear;  
we too will thither bend our joyful footsteps;  
*O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,  
Jesu to thee be glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:  
*O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

Text: St. 1-3, 5 John Francis Wade; St. 4 Étienne-Jean-François Borderies, 1822; Music: Melody attrib. John Francis Wade, alt.

## Collect at the Crèche

*Presider* The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us;

*People* **And we beheld his glory.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you wonderfully created and yet more wonderfully restored our human nature. May we share the divine life of your Son Jesus Christ, who humbled himself to share our humanity, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## Hymn

Tune: Regent Square

*All*

Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
You who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth:  
*Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.*

Shepherds in the field abiding, watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with us is now residing, yonder shines the infant Light:  
*Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.*

Sages, leave your contemplations; brighter visions beam afar;  
seek the great desire of nations, you have seen his natal star:  
*Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.*

Saints before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear,  
suddenly the Lord, descending, in his temple shall appear:  
*Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.*

Though an infant now we view him, he shall fill the eternal throne,  
gather all the nations to him; every knee shall then bow down:  
*Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.*

Text: James Montgomery, alt.; Tune: Henry Thomas Smart.

*Presider* Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
*People* **May all the earth be filled with his glory.**

*Presider* Alleluia! When the fullness of time was come,  
*People* **God sent the Son, born of a woman, so that we might become God's children. Alleluia!**

## **Gloria**

*Merbecke*

*Presider* Glory be to God on high,  
*All* **and in earth peace, good will towards all. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **Collect of the Day**

*Presider* Let us pray. *Please remain standing.*  
God whose Word became flesh, breathe a new song of joy and praise into the world, so that we may bear the good news of your salvation and proclaim your promise of peace to the ends of the earth; through Christ the Word.  
*People* **Amen.**

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

*Please be seated.*

### **The First Reading**

*Isaiah 52: 7-10*

*Reader* How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.' Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem.

The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please remain seated.*

## **Psalm**

*Psalm 98*

*Choir*

Sing to the Lord a new song,  
for he has done marvellous things.  
His own right hand and his holy arm  
have won for him the victory.  
The Lord has made known his salvation;  
his deliverance has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.  
He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness  
towards the house of Israel,  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.  
Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth;  
break into singing and make music.  
Make music to the Lord with the lyre,  
with the lyre and the voice of melody.  
With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
sound praises before the Lord, the King.  
Let the sea thunder and all that fills it,  
the world and all that dwell upon it.  
Let the rivers clap their hands  
and let the hills ring out together before the Lord,  
for he comes to judge the earth.  
In righteousness shall he judge the world  
and the peoples with equity.

## **The Second Reading**

*Hebrews 1: 1-4*

*Reader* Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word.

When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

*Sussex Carol*

*Choir* Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

*Choir* I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord.

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

### **The Holy Gospel**

*John 1: 1-14*

*Gospeller* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

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

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

*Gospeller* In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

*Gospeller* The Gospel of Christ.

*People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## Homily

### The Intercession

*Presider* O God, your angel announced good news of greatest joy for all people. A child has been born among us, a child lying in a manger, the Saviour of the world! Rejoicing in the power of this miracle, we offer our prayers for your Church and for the world, saying 'Lord of Glory, hear our prayer.'

*Intercessor* Lord of Glory,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*At the conclusion of the prayers.*

*Presider* Light of life, you came in flesh and gave the human family power to live fully as your children. Grant us faith, O Christ, to welcome your presence among us so that all of creation may sing *Glory to the Newborn King* and walk in the way of justice and peace.

*People* **Amen.**

### Confession and Absolution

*Presider* Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Almighty God,

*All* **Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Presider* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting 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 with thy spirit.**

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## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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### Offertory Hymn

Tune: In Dulci Jubilo

*All* Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!  
Listen now to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today;  
ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now!  
Christ is born today; Christ is born today!

Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!  
Hear the news of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this;  
he has opened heaven's door, and we are blessed for evermore!  
Christ was born for this; Christ was born for this.

Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!  
Now you need not fear the grave; Jesus Christ was born to save:  
come at his most gracious call to find salvation, one and all!  
Christ was born to save; Christ was born to save!

Text: German-Latin carol (14<sup>th</sup> cent.); tr. John Mason Neale, alt.; Music: Melody *Geistliche Lieder*, Wittenberg, 1533.

*Presider* God of peace, your Son Jesus Christ has reconciled us to you. May all we offer you today renew us as members of your household. We ask this in his name.

*People* **Amen.**

## Thanksgiving & Consecration

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Presider* It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things.

Because thou didst give Jesus Christ thine only Son to be born as at this time for us; who, by the operation of the Holy Spirit, was made very man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

## Sanctus & Benedictus

*Choir* 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.

*Please kneel, as you are able.*

*Presider* All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, who didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the body and blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

*People* **We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.**

*Presider* And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this holy communion may worthily receive the most precious body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*People* **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Presider* And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:  
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 those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Presider* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

## The Communion

*Presider* The gifts of God for the People of God.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Agnus Dei

*Choir* 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.*

*If you choose not to receive communion,*

*simply cross your hands over your chest to indicate this to the priest.*

*For those requiring gluten-free hosts or not wanting to walk up the chancel steps, please go to St. John's Altar (on the left).*

*It is not permitted to dip the bread in the wine for health reasons.*

***Prayers for healing and anointing are available at The Lady Chapel.***

## Communion Hymn

Tune: Love Came Down

*All* Love came down at Christmas, love all lovely, Love divine;  
love was born at Christmas, star and angels gave the sign.

Worship we the Godhead, love incarnate, Love divine;  
worship we our Jesus: but wherewith for sacred sign?

Love shall be our token, love be yours and love be mine,  
Love to God and all men, love for plea and gift and sign.

Text: Christina Georgina Rossetti; Music: Malcolm Archer.

## Communion Hymn

Tune: Cranham

*All* In the bleak mid-winter, frosty wind made moan,  
earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;  
snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,  
in the bleak mid-winter long ago.

Our God, heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain;  
heaven and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign.  
In the bleak mid-winter a stable place sufficed  
the Lord God almighty, Jesus Christ.

Angels and archangels may have gathered there;  
cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;  
but his mother only in her maiden bliss,  
worshipped the beloved with a kiss.

What can I give him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a wise man, I would do my part;  
yet what I can I give him—give my heart.

Text: Christina Georgina Rossetti; Music: Gustav Theodore Holst.

**Motet**

**Nativity Carol**

John Rutter

*Choir*

Born in a stable so bare, born so long ago.  
Born 'neath light of star he who loved us so.  
Far away, silent he lay, born today, your homage pay.  
For Christ is born for aye, born on Christmas Day.

Cradled by mother so fair, tender her lullaby.  
Over her son so dear. Angel hosts fill the sky.  
Far away, silent he lay born today, your homage pay.  
For Christ is born for aye, born on Christmas Day.

Wise men from distant far land, shepherds from starry hills.  
Worship this babe so rare. Hearts with his warmth he fills.  
Far away, silent he lay born today, your homage pay.  
For Christ is born for aye born on Christmas Day.

Love in that stable was born, into our hearts to flow.  
Innocent dreaming babe, make me thy love to know.  
Far away, silent he lay born today, your homage pay.  
For Christ is born for aye born on Christmas Day.

## Prayer after Communion

*Presider* Let us pray. *Please stand, as you are able.*  
Father of all, the child born for us is the Saviour of the world. May he who made us your children welcome us into your kingdom, where he is alive and reigns with you now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* Glory to God,  
*All* **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Blessing

*Presider* May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness.

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Saviour's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel.

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favour.

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## Hymn

Tune: Antioch

*All* Joy to the world! The Lord is come:  
let earth receive the King;  
let every heart prepare him room,  
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Saviour reigns:  
let us glad songs employ,  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let wrongs and sorrows grow,  
nor thorns infest the ground;  
he comes to make his blessings flow  
far as our sin is found, far as our sin is found,  
far as, far as our sin is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness  
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love.

Text: Isaac Watts, alt.; Music: Melody George Frideric Handel; adapt.  
William Holford, Voce de Melodia, 1835; harm. Lowell Mason;

## **Dismissal**

*Priest* Go forth in peace, in the name of the Christ Child, the Prince of Peace,  
Immanuel, God with us.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** Fanfare

*J. Lemmens*

*After the service, you are invited to visit the crèche  
to pray in thanksgiving for the incarnation of the Prince of Peace.*

*Presiding Celebrant: The Right Reverend Andrew Asbil, Bishop of Toronto*  
*Homilist: The Very Reverend Peter Wall, Interim Dean & Priest in Charge*  
*Deacon of the Mass: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields, Sub-Dean & Vicar*

*Bishop's Chaplain & Honorary Verger: Paul Seddon, ODT*

*First Reader: Wairimu Nduati • Second Reader: Anne Harvey*

*Intercessor: George McNeillie*

*Communion Ministers: David Grant, Yvonne Joseph & Paul Seddon*

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

*Assisting at the Organ: Imre Olah • Sung by The Choir of St. James Cathedral*

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The Hoopes Family	Jean Winstanley
Daniel Horn and Antje Horn-Reitsma	Irving Wortsman
Dr. Alan and Helen Hutchison	John Chi Houn Wu
Christopher Jaaskelainen	Susan Shuyin Wu
Graeme Jones	June Yearwood
Winston & Agatha Joseph	Nellie and Fred Yearwood

## **ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS – Sunday, December 25, 2022**

**\*8:00am - Said Eucharist:** The order of service is found in the leaflet. The Collect, Epistle, and Gospel are also provided.

**\*Coffee Hour:** Please note that there will not be a coffee hour today, Christmas Day, December 25, or on New Year's Day, January 1, 2023. Our Regular Coffee Hours will resume on Sunday, January 8, 2023.

### **CHRISTMAS 2022**

Christmas is upon us, and so I write, on behalf of the Wardens and the Staff to wish you a most blessed and joyous Christmas season!

In one of his great essays, the late Andrew Allen wished us all: 'a quiet hour lazy with the love of God' as a gift. In our world sometimes, it is hard to find that quiet hour, and yet the joy and promise of that birth so long ago and so far away call us to stand at the crib in silent wonder and tranquil prayer.

In a world in which deep sorrows and troubling complexities seem to assail us on every side, it is so important for us to take a moment and simply be grateful – grateful for what we have without resentment at what we lack. We have friends and family; we have faith and the promise of hope; we have this amazing Cathedral community, which has offered such a warm welcome to me, and in which we find so much joy and comfort. While there is so much to do, there is so much good around us and inside of us.

So, as we 'keep' our Christmas, may the joy of Jesus' birth be with us, may the quiet contemplation of God's mighty acts surround us and may that lazy hour with the love of God be with you and with those you love.

Thank you for joining us as we 'keep the feast' here at the Cathedral.

With every blessing –

The Very Reverend Peter Wall  
Interim Dean & Priest in Charge

### **PLAN AHEAD: NEW YEAR'S DAY AT THE CATHEDRAL**

#### **Sunday, January 1: New Year's Day**

**8:00am:** Said Eucharist; **9:00am:** Sung Eucharist & **11:00am:** Choral Eucharist (*also live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel at [youtube.com/tordio135](https://youtube.com/tordio135)*).

**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](https://youtube.com/tordio135)*).

\*We are delighted to announce that Bishop Andrew Asbil has named **Don Solomon**, our Deputy Rector's Warden, to the Order of the Diocese of Toronto. This distinction was created to honour outstanding lay people in the Church in the Diocese of Toronto. Congratulations, Don, on this well-deserved honour!

## WE COUNT ON YOU: VOLUNTEER WITH THE DROP-IN

The Drop-In will be celebrating **New Year's** with a special **lunch** for our guests on **Friday, December 30**. You can assist with preparing the meal, packing, serving, and cleaning up at the end of the day. Donations of chocolates and winter wear for adult men and women are really appreciated. To sign up to volunteer on December 30 or January 6 or to donate, contact Kathy Biasi at (416) 364-7865, ext. \*222 or [kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca)

## SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS WEEK

### Morning Prayer – online only

from Wednesday, December 28 to Friday,  
December 30 at 8:30am  
via the Cathedral YouTube channel

### Holy Eucharist at 12:15pm

from Wednesday, December 28  
to Friday, December 30.  
In the Cathedral - St. George's Chapel.

**\*The Cathedral and the Cathedral Offices** will be closed on Monday, December 26; Tuesday, December 27; and Monday, January 2. If you need to see a member of staff from Wednesday, December 28 to Friday, December 30, please contact them directly.

**\*The Cathedral will be open from 10:00am – 3:00pm from Wednesday, December 28 to Friday, December 30** with a 12:15pm Holy Eucharist on these days.

**\*Morning Prayer** remains online at 8:30am for these days.

**\*In person donation:** If you would like to drop off an offering to the secure mailbox which is mounted in the Church Street vestibule at the entrance of the doors at 65 Church Street, the doors will be open on Wednesday, December 28 – Friday, December 30 from 9:30am – 3:30pm. Please make donations by December 31 to receive a tax receipt for 2022.

**\*TUESDAY:** Our Organ Recitals will be back on Tuesday, January 10, 2023.

**\*WEDNESDAY:** Our Scripture Circle will be back on Wednesday, January 11, 2023.

**\*FRIDAY:** St. James Cathedral's Drop-In will offer a special **New Year's lunch on Friday, December 30** from 1:30pm to 3:30pm.

**\*SATURDAY:** Watch Morning Prayer - 8:30am via the Cathedral YouTube Channel.

**\*SUNDAY: Coffee Hour:** Please note that there will not be a coffee hour on New Year's Day, January 1, 2023. Our Regular Coffee Hours will resume on Sunday, January 8, 2023.

## SUNDAY SERVICES

**8:00am:** Said Eucharist

**9:00am:** Sung Eucharist

**11:00am:** Choral Eucharist *(also live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel at [youtube.com/tordio135](https://youtube.com/tordio135)).*

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**Readings for**

**next Sunday,**

**January 1:**

Numbers 6: 22-27

Psalm 8

Galatians 4: 4-7

Luke 2: 15-21

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