

Presentation of the Lord

February 4, 2024

Choral Evensong at 4:30pm

*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, and the Métis peoples, 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.

Liturgical Note

In the context of Christian Liturgy, Israel does not refer to the current political state, but either to the historic Hebrews (also called Israelites) 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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Questions? Speak to a sidesperson – the people wearing gold name tags.

Children & Families

Sunday School meets every week both at the 9:00am and 11:00am service.
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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 following the 9:00am and 11:00am service.

Parking

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

Today at St. James

*Officiant & Homilist: The Reverend Canon Andrea Budgey &
The Reverend Dr. Christopher Brittain*

First Reader: Sandra Mowat • Second Reader: Shawn Thorpe

Sidespersons: Sandra Mowat & Shawn Thorpe

Director of Music & Organist: Thomas Bell • Associate Organist: Nathan Jeffery

Wayne Vance Organ Scholar: Jacob Wiens

Sung by The Chapel Choir of Trinity College, University of Toronto

Organist: Peter Bayer

*The Flowers in the Cathedral are given to the glory of God.
If you would like to donate flowers, please kindly contact bookkeeper Rose Wang.*

***Welcome! We are so glad you have joined us for worship this afternoon.
Please ensure that cell phones are muted.***

Choral Evensong

Prelude Sonata in F minor

Felix Mendelssohn

Please remain seated.

Introit **Deo Gratias**

William Byrd

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

Preces and Responses

Herbert Sumsion

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.

Officiant 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.

Officiant Praise ye the Lord;

Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

Please be seated.

Psalm 34

Chant by Frederick South

I will bless the Lord at all times;
 his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
My soul shall glory in the Lord;
 let the humble hear and be glad.
O magnify the Lord with me;
 let us exalt his name together.
I sought the Lord and he answered me
 and delivered me from all my fears.
Look upon him and be radiant
 and your faces shall not be ashamed.
This poor soul cried, and the Lord heard me
 and saved me from all my troubles.
The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him
 and delivers them.
O taste and see that the Lord is gracious;
 blessed is the one who trusts in him.
Fear the Lord, all you his holy ones,

for those who fear him lack nothing.
Lions may lack and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.
Come, my children, and listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
Who is there who delights in life
and longs for days to enjoy good things?
Keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from lying words.
Turn from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.
The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous
and his ears are open to their cry.
The face of the Lord is against those who do evil,
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.
The righteous cry and the Lord hears them
and delivers them out of all their troubles.
The Lord is near to the brokenhearted
and will save those who are crushed in spirit.
Many are the troubles of the righteous;
from them all will the Lord deliver them.
He keeps all their bones,
so that not one of them is broken.
But evil shall slay the wicked
and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.
The Lord ransoms the life of his servants
and will condemn none who seek refuge in him.

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.

Please be seated.

Haggai 2:1-9

First Lesson

Reader

In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former

glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendour, says the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. The latter splendour of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

The Gloucester Service—Herbert Howells

Magnificat

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.

Please be seated.

1 John 3:1-8

Second Lesson

Reader See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. Everyone who commits sin is a child of the devil; for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The Son of God was revealed for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

Nunc Dimittis

The Gloucester Service—Herbert Howells

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.

Choir Our Father 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 King;

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 God of love, you gave your Son to be a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel. With Simeon and Anna and all who hail redemption's happy dawn, may we sing your praise and proclaim

salvation in Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh.

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 **O Nata Lux**

Thomas Tallis

Choir O nata lux de lumine
Jesu redemptor saeculi
Dignare clemens supplicum
Laudes preces que sumere

*O Light born of Light,
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
With loving-kindness deign to receive
suppliant praise and prayer.*

Qui carne quondam contegi
Dignatus es pro perditis
Nos membra confer effici
Tui beati corporis

*Thou who once deigned to be clothed in
flesh
for the sake of the lost,
grant us to be members
of thy blessed body.*

Homily

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

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Please stand, as you are able.

Tune: Slane

Hymn at the Collection

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,
be there at our waking and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
be there at our labours and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
be there at our homing and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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Offertory Prayer

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, mindful of the blessings of this and all our days, we present these gifts with thankful hearts and joyful praise. May this money and our lives be used for the benefit of others as your reign of justice and mercy finds expression in the world, redeemed by the sacrificial love of your Christ. In whose name we pray.

People Amen.

Prayers

Please kneel, as you are able.

A Prayer of Saint John Chrysostom

Officiant 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.

The Grace

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.

People Amen.

Please stand, as you are able.

Edward Woodall Naylor

Final Respond

Officiant The Lord be with you;

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

Choir Thanks be to God.

Postlude Pièce Heroïque

César Franck

PRAYER CYCLE	PASTORAL CARE
<p><i>This week, please pray for: The Anglican Church of South America; Susan Johnson, National Bishop, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada; Bishop's Committee on Interfaith Ministry and the Education for Ministry</i></p>	<p>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: sfields@stjamescathedral.ca; 416-364-7865, ext. *235 or The Reverend Canon Beth Benson: bbenson@stjamescathedral.ca, 416-364-7865, ext. *237</p>

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2024 Vestry Nominating Committee

St. James Cathedral's Annual Vestry meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 10th, 2024 after the 10:00am service.

The Nominating Committee, chaired by Bill Benson, is now receiving names for election for the following positions:

- People's Warden
- Deputy People's Warden
- Assistant Deputy People's Warden
- Cathedral Council
- Synod Representatives and Alternates

All are one-year terms with opportunity for renewal for 3 years.

Nominations require a nominator, a seconder, and the agreement of the nominees to let their names stand. Nominations should be sent to Bill Benson at billbenson0520@gmail.com for consideration by the committee.

The Nominating Committee will produce a recommended slate for Vestry that is representative of the congregation and considers the necessary experience and skills required. The process for choosing the slate will start by asking current eligible representatives if they are willing to stand for re-election. Next, all nominations from the congregation will be considered.

As always, the Vestry Chair will ask for nominations from the floor on the day of the Vestry meeting. All eligible nominations will be accepted.

Feel free to email billbenson0520@gmail.com if you have any further questions. The Wardens

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS – Sunday, February 4, 2024 Celebrating Black History Month at St. James

- ***Children & Families:** Sunday school meets at 9:00am & 11:00am services.
- ***Coffee Hour:** Following 9:00am & 11:00am services.
- ***Visit us:** The Cathedral is open from 10:00am–3:00pm, Monday-Saturday.
- ***Today at 4:30pm:** We welcome the Chapel Choir of Trinity College, University of Toronto.



It has been said that Black people have been given the shortest month of the year to celebrate their heritage and history. Perhaps we should celebrate a *“Season of Freedom”*, beginning with Martin Luther King Jr.’s Birthday (January 15) and ending with the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (March 21).

Between these bookends we celebrate the birthday of Lincoln Alexander, on January 21st (the first Black Canadian to be elected to the House of Commons, and Lieutenant Governor of Ontario), Black History Month, also known as Afrikan Heritage Month, also known as Afrikan Liberation Month, and Freedom Sunday, the 4th Sunday in February) – an opportunity for the church to deepen its understanding of God’s heart for justice, discover, and fight to end the realities of modern slavery.

This year’s theme is *“Black Excellence: A Heritage to Celebrate, a Future to Build”*. Black excellence is more than the extraordinary success of Black persons in their chosen fields. It also has to do with the amazing capacity of every Black Canadian to thrive and succeed, starting with Mathieu Da Costa, the Black African who served as an interpreter for French and Dutch traders and explorers in the early 17th century, through Michaëlle Jean, who served as the 27th Governor-general of Canada, since Canadian Confederation, to Matthew Waterman, our postulant.

Our Music Director has chosen choral and congregational music to support our observance of the month. Canon Anthony Jemmott (Feb. 18) and I (Feb. 11) will reflect on the theme during our homilies. **Mark your calendar for a special Coffee Hour on February 25 after the 11:00am service.** In addition to a musical presentation, there will be a display of “Black Excellence” and samples of African and Caribbean finger foods.

The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields (*Sub-Dean & Vicar*)

STAY UP TO DATE

Today at 9:00am & 11:00am: Ministry of The Sisterhood of St. John the Divine
We will welcome Archbishop Fred Hiltz and The Rev. Sr. Constance Joanna Gefvert.

ST. JAMES CEMETERY & CREMATORIUM

Wednesday, February 7 at 11:00am: Eucharist at St. James Cemetery
On the first Wednesday of the month, St. James Cemetery invites to the Chapel of St. James-The-Less for Holy Eucharist. Visit 635 Parliament Street, Toronto.



BECOMING THE STORY WE TELL

Making an Intentional Lenten Journey:

The Season of Lent is a gift intended especially for those who are turning to the way of Christ in some new way. If this is the moment for you to become intentional about following the way of Jesus talk to Canon John Hill or email: bst@stjamescathedral.ca

Join a Small Group for reflection through Lent and Eastertide

Lent and Eastertide will be an opportunity for us to enter more deeply into the mystery of our salvation through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. If you want to join, register now. **Small groups will begin the week of February 18.** Registration forms and online registration are available. **For more information** talk to Canon John Hill during coffee hour or email bst@stjamescathedral.ca

VESTRY 2024

Only on Sunday, March 10, we will have one main service at 10:00am and the Vestry meeting will follow after the service.

Vestry Meeting will be chaired by our new Dean the Very Rev'd Dr. Stephen Hance. A light lunch will be served.

Sunday, February 11 after 9:00am & 11:00am services Town Hall – Nominating Committee

If you would like more information about the nominating process for Vestry Elections, you're invited to attend a town hall meeting on Sunday, February 11. There will be one following both the 9:00am & 11:00am service.

Meetings will be held in the 2nd-floor Lecture Room. For more information on the Nominating process, please visit the News section at www.stjamescathedral.ca under Vestry 2024 or contact Bill Benson at: billbenson0520@gmail.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, February 11 at 10:30am: Crosses from last Palm Sunday



Last year's blessed palm crosses and branches may be brought to the Cathedral and placed in the baskets provided.

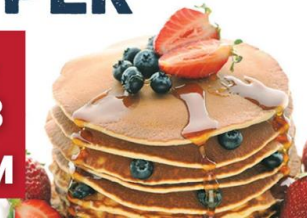
They will be burned at 10:30am between the 9:00am and 11:00am services next Sunday, February 11, and the ashes used in the Ash Wednesday services on February 14.

Tuesday, February 13 at 5:30pm: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

PANCAKE SUPPER



**TUES.
FEB. 13
5:30PM**



Mark the last day before Lent with a pancake supper. Gather your friends and family. There will be activities for kids, music, and more! This is a free event & donations are welcome. **RSVP:** Call (416)364-7865, add your information to the RSVP list at the back of the Cathedral, or email info@stjamescathedral.ca.

Call for volunteers: To help with set-up, serving, and clean-up from 4:00pm-8:30pm. If you are interested in helping, sign the volunteer list at the back of the Cathedral.

Wednesday, February 14: Ash Wednesday Services



All services include the Imposition of Ashes.

- **7:30am:** Said Eucharist
- **12:15pm:** Sung Eucharist
- **6:30pm:** Choral Eucharist (*also on the Cathedral YouTube channel*).

The Cathedral will also be open for prayer on Ash Wednesday from 7:30am – 7:30pm.

Sunday, February 25: Black History Month at St. James Cathedral



The theme for this year is *“Black Excellence: A Heritage to Celebrate, a Future to Build”*. A small group of volunteers is working to put together a small event to conclude Black History Month on **Sunday, February 25 after the 11:00am service.**

If you are interested in being a part of the group already working on this event, please send an email to yosiegal@hotmail.com, wrmndt@gmail.com, or morgan5591@rogers.com Stay tuned!

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Morning Prayer – online only at 8:30am

Holy Eucharist at 12:15pm

Monday to Saturday via the Cathedral YouTube channel Monday to Saturday in St. George's Chapel.

VISIT US:

The Cathedral is open Monday-Saturday from 10:00am–3:00pm.

The Cathedral Centre offices are open Monday-Friday from 9:00am–4:00pm.

TUESDAY: Organ recital on **February 6 at 1:00pm. Organist: Joshua Duncan Lee**
Admission is free and donations are encouraged.

WEDNESDAY: The **Scripture Circle** gathers at **11:00am in the Cathedral Centre.**

THURSDAY: February 22 at 1:00pm: Early Music at St. James in St. George's Chapel.
Artist: Louise Hung, Virginal. Admission by donation is encouraged.

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

We welcome our guests in Snell Hall for a nutritious meal.

SUNDAY:

***Children & Families:** Our **Sunday Children's Program** meets at both the **9:00am** and **11:00am** services.

***Coffee Hour:** Following the 9:00am and the 11:00am services.

St. James Cemetery: Plots, services, and products available.

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Sunday Services – February 11, 2024

8:00am: Said Eucharist

9:00am: Sung Eucharist (*also live-streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto*).

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

4:30pm: Choral Evensong with the Choir of St. Jude's Anglican Church, Oakville (*also live-streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto*).

Readings for February 11:

Transfiguration Sunday

2 Kgs 2:1-12

Ps 50:1-6

2 Cor 4:3-6

Mk 9:2-9

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