

# Presentation of the Lord

*February 2, 2025*

*Choral Eucharist at 11:00am*

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

# **Welcome to St. James Cathedral**

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## **Liturgical Note:**

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## **Today at St. James**

*Presider: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields*

*Homilist: The Most Reverend Colin Johnson*

*Deacon of the mass: The Reverend Lynn Braye • Sub-Deacon: Paul Seddon, ODT*

*Anointer: The Reverend Jo-Anne Billinger*

*First Reader: Quentin Toderick • Second Reader: Denise Byard*

*Intercessor: George McNeillie • Honorary Verger: Paul Seddon, ODT*

*Communion Ministers: Denise Byard, David Grant & Yvonne Joseph*

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

*Wayne Vance Organ Scholar: Jean-Paul Feo • Sung by The Choir of St. James Cathedral*

*The Flowers in the Cathedral are given to the glory of God.*

*Welcome! We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning.*

*Please ensure that cell phones are muted.*

# THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*Our practice during this liturgy is to stand when we sing and during the proclamation of the Gospel, sit for other Scripture readings (including the Psalm) and the Homily, and stand, sit, or kneel for prayer. These are guidelines and we invite you to assume a posture that is most comfortable for you during the service.*

## Prelude

## Welcome & Announcements

## Hymn

Tune: McKee

*All*

In Christ there is no east or west,  
in him no pride of birth;  
the family that God has blessed  
now spans the whole wide earth.

For God in Christ has made us one  
from every land and race;  
has reconciled us through the Son,  
and met us all with grace.

It is by grace we are assured  
that we belong to him:  
the love we share in Christ our Lord,  
the Spirit's work within.

So brothers, sisters, praise his name  
who died to set us free  
from sin, division, hate and shame,  
from spite and enmity!

In Christ there is no east or west  
he breaks all barriers down:  
by Christ redeemed, by Christ possessed  
in Christ we live as one.

*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.**

*Presider* Almighty God,

**People** to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Kyrie Eleison**

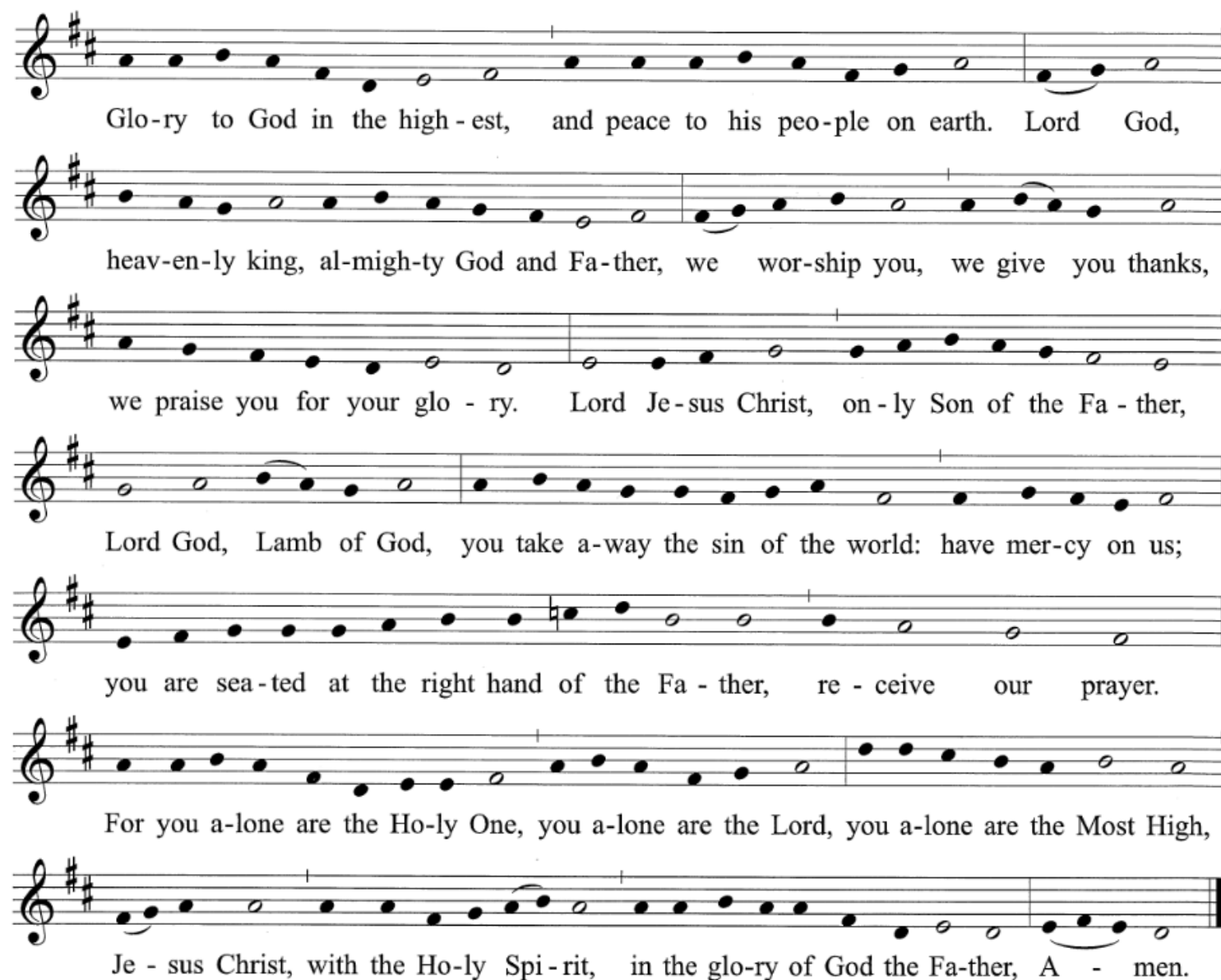
*David Hurd*

**Choir** Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*During the Gloria, children are invited to gather at the chancel steps before proceeding to the Library in the Cathedral Centre for Sunday School; they will return at the offertory.*

## **Gloria**

*David Hurd*



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,  
heav-en-ly king, al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;  
you are sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer.  
For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High,  
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi - rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther, A - men.

## Collect of the Day

*Presider* Let us pray.

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.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

*Please be seated.*

### The First Reading

*Malachi 3:1-4*

*Reader* See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

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

## Psalm

*Psalm 84 – Chant by C. H. H. Perry*

*Choir* How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!  
My soul has a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.  
The sparrow has found her a house  
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:  
at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.  
Blessed are they who dwell in your house:  
they will always be praising you.  
Blessed are those whose strength is in you,  
in whose heart are the highways to Zion,  
Who going through the barren valley find there a spring,  
and the early rains will clothe it with blessing.

They will go from strength to strength  
 and appear before God in Zion.  
 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;  
 listen, O God of Jacob.  
 Behold our defender, O God,  
 and look upon the face of your anointed.  
 For one day in your courts  
 is better than a thousand.  
 I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God  
 than dwell in the tents of ungodliness.  
 For the Lord God is both sun and shield; he will give grace and glory;  
 no good thing shall the Lord withhold  
 from those who walk with integrity.  
 O Lord God of hosts,  
 blessed are those who put their trust in you.

## The Second Reading

*Hebrews 2:14-18*

*Reader* Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

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

*Please stand.*

## Gospel Acclamation

*Abraham Maraire*



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*Choir* This is a light to reveal God to the nations and the glory of his people Israel.

*All* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## The Holy Gospel

Luke 2:22-40

*Deacon* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Deacon* When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, ‘Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord’), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, ‘a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.’

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

‘Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.’

And the child’s father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, ‘This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.’

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.



When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

*Deacon*

The Gospel of Christ.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Homily**

*Please stand.*

### **The Apostles' Creed**

*Presider*

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

*People*

**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**

*Please adopt a posture of prayer.*

*Presider*

Let us offer our prayers to the Lord of Hosts, who purifies us as the descendants of Levi and refines us like gold and silver, that we may present offerings to him in righteousness, saying, "Lord, hear and have mercy."

*Intercessor*

Lord,

*People*

**Hear and have mercy.**

*At the conclusion of the prayers.*

*Presider*

As your Son Jesus Christ was presented in your temple, so may we offer our lives to you in faith with thanksgiving. Through Christ we pray.

*People*

**Amen.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

*Presider*

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his 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**

*Please stand.*

**Presider** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*We offer each other a sign of peace.*

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

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## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **Offertory Hymn**

Tune: Divinum Mysterium

**All** Of the Father's heart begotten,  
ere the world from chaos rose,  
he is Alpha: from that Fountain,  
all that is and hath been flows;  
he is Omega, of all things  
yet to come the mystic Close,  
evermore and evermore.

By His Word was all created  
He commanded and 'twas done;  
Earth and sky and boundless ocean,  
Universe of three in one,  
All that sees the moon's soft radiance,  
All that breathes beneath the sun,  
Evermore and evermore.

This is he, whom seer and sibyl  
sang in ages long gone by;  
this is he of old revealed  
in the page of prophecy;  
lo! he comes the promised Saviour;  
let the world his praises cry!  
evermore and evermore.

Sing, ye heights of heaven, his praises;  
Angels and Archangels, sing!  
Wheresoe'er ye be, ye faithful,  
Let your joyous anthems ring,  
every tongue his name confessing,  
countless voices answering,  
evermore and evermore.

Text: Aurelius Clemens Prudentius; trans. Roby Furley Davis; Music: Melody plainsong, Mode 8; adapt. *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

*Presider* Almighty God, accept the joyful offering of your Church, and grant that  
your Son may shine in us as the light that lightens every nation. We ask  
this in the name of the same 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 heaven and earth, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give knowledge of salvation in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Now with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Sanctus & Benedictus**

*Missa Brevis No. 4 by Eleanor Daley*

*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 adopt a posture of prayer.*

*Presider* God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, you have brought us this far along the way. In times of bitterness you did not abandon us, but guided us into the path of love and light. In every age you sent prophets to make known your loving will for all humanity. The cry of the poor has become your own cry; our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire. In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant to preach good news to the afflicted, to break bread with the outcast and despised, and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

*People* **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*Presider* Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we await the day when Jesus shall return to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death. Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world. Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

*People* **Amen.**

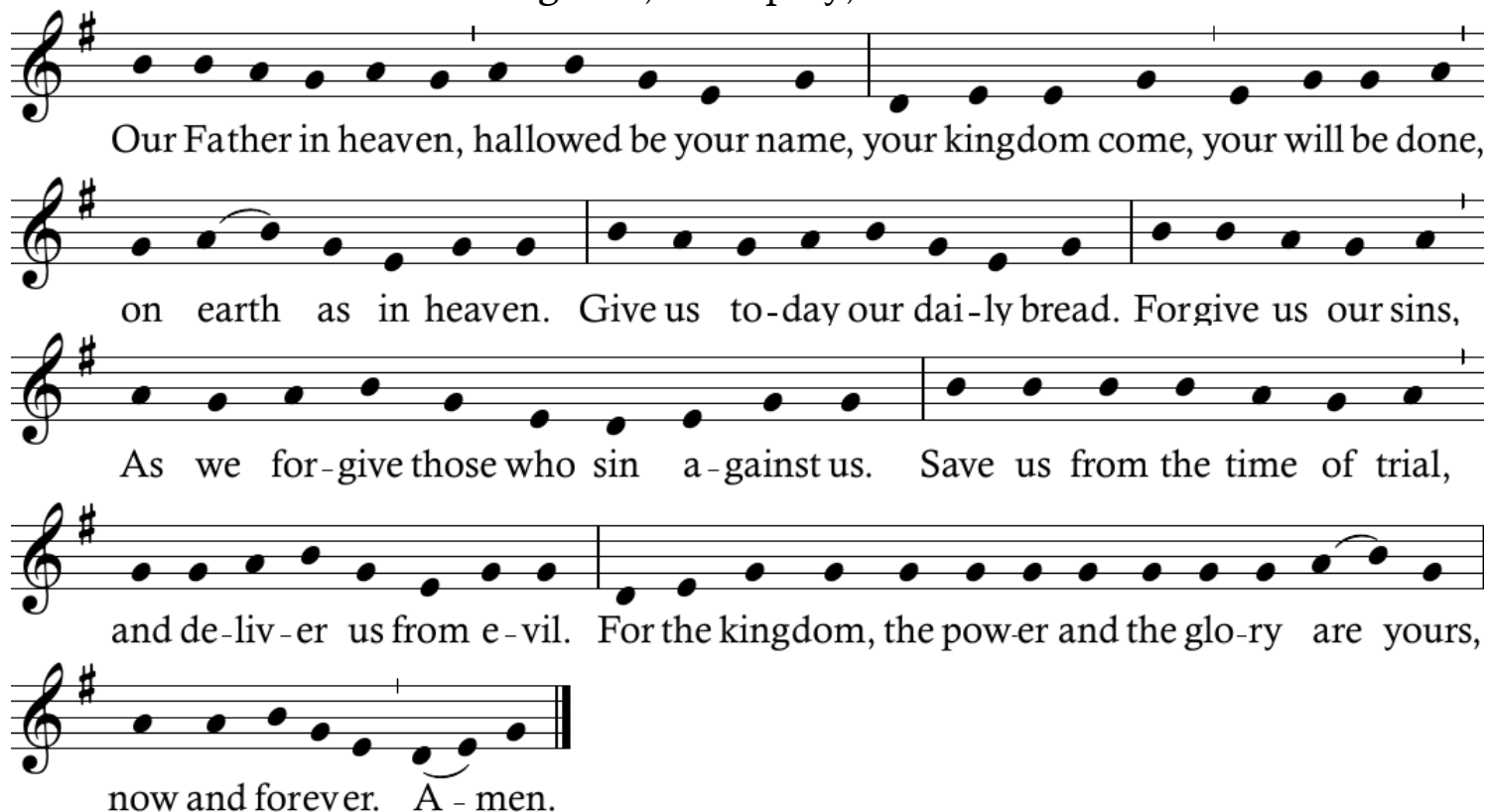
*Presider* Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection, we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

*People* **Amen.**

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

*McNeil Robinson*

*Presider* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,



Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. Forgive us our sins,  
As we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,  
and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the kingdom, the pow-er and the glo-ry are yours,  
now and forever. A - men.

The musical notation is written on five staves in G major (one sharp). It features a simple, hymn-like melody with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with some words hyphenated to fit the syllables. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

*Silence*

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Presider* We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

*People* **God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

## The Communion

*Presider* The gifts of God for the People of God.

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

## Agnus Dei

*Missa Brevis No. 4 by Eleanor Daley*

*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 are welcome to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.*

*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.*

***Prayers for healing and anointing are available at the Baptistry.***

## Motet **When to the temple Mary went**

Johannes Eccard

*Choir* When to the temple Mary went,  
And brought the Holy Child,  
Him did the aged Simeon see,  
As it had been revealed.  
He took up Jesus in his arms  
And blessing God he said:  
In peace I now depart, my Saviour having seen,  
The Hope of Israel, the Light of men.  
  
Help now thy servants, gracious Lord,  
That we may ever be  
As once the faithful Simeon was,  
Rejoicing but in Thee;  
And when we must from earth departure take,  
May gently fall asleep and with Thee wake.

## Communion Hymn

Tune: Pastor pastorum

*All* Faithful vigil ended, watching, waiting cease;  
Master, grant thy servant his discharge in peace.  
  
All thy Spirit promised, all the Father willed;  
Now these eyes behold it perfectly fulfilled.  
  
This thy great deliverance sets thy people free;  
Christ, their light, uplifted all the nations see.

Christ, thy people's glory! Watching, doubting, cease:  
Grant to us thy servants our discharge in peace.

**Motet Give me Jesus**

Arr. L. L. Fleming

*Choir*

In the morning, when I rise, give me Jesus.  
You can have all this world, give me Jesus.

When I am alone, give me Jesus.  
You can have all this world, give me Jesus.

When I come to die, Oh, when I come to die, give me Jesus.

You can have all this world, just give me Jesus, give me Jesus.

**Prayer after Communion**

*Please stand.*

*Presider*

Let us pray.

God for whom we wait, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon, who did not die till he had welcomed the Messiah. Complete in us your perfect will, that we in Christ may share in your eternal kingdom; for he is Lord for ever and 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 the God of infinite goodness scatter the darkness of sin and brighten your hearts with holiness; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

*People*

**Amen.**

**Hymn**

Tune: Woodlands

*All*

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;  
tender to me the promise of his word;  
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!  
 Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
 his mercy sure, from age to age the same;  
 his holy name—the Lord, the mighty one.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!  
 Powers and dominions lay their glory by;  
 proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
 the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!  
 Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.  
 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
 to children's children and for evermore!

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## Dismissal

*Deacon* Followers of Jesus Christ, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world that God loves.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

PRAYER CYCLE	PASTORAL CARE
<p><i>This week, please pray for:</i>  <i>The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia; Ascension, Don Mills and the Cathedral Drop-in Centre</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 &amp; Vicar, The Rev'd Canon Dr. Stephen Fields: <a href="mailto:sfields@stjamescathedral.ca">sfields@stjamescathedral.ca</a>; 416-364-7865, ext. 235 and The Reverend Matthew Waterman: <a href="mailto:mwaterman@stjamescathedral.ca">mwaterman@stjamescathedral.ca</a>, 416-364-7865, ext. 254</p>

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## **ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL - CONNECTIONS - Sunday, February 2, 2025**

**Sunday Children's Program:** Invite the little ones to the 9:00am & 11:00am services.

**Coffee Hour:** Following the 9:00am & 11:00am services in Snell Hall.

**Today at 4:30pm:** Ordination of Matthew Waterman to the Priesthood. A reception follows.  
Preacher: The Rev. Dr. R. Leigh Spruill, Rector; St. John the Divine, Houston.

### **Celebrating Black History Month at St. James**



Jean Augustine

*"The seeds of a fruitful society are sown in the minds of its youth."*

She was the first Black Canadian woman to serve as a federal member of Parliament and as a cabinet minister. A teacher first elected in 1993 and re-elected three times, she also served as the patron of several non-profit organizations after leaving politics. In 1995, introduced a motion in the House of Commons to recognize February as Black History Month. The motion passed unanimously and took effect in 1996.

### **Message from the Rev. Kristen Pitts, our first Canon Missioner**



Dear siblings in Christ: I am so delighted to be joining the St. James community as Canon Missioner. It is obvious that you are committed to sharing God's love with your neighbors in the city, and I look forward to serving among and alongside you as we grow together in faith. I bring to this role a deep well of experience as an educator and formation professional, as well as a passion for helping others find their place in the Christian story. Though I've served in a variety of contexts, my vocation has always been in meeting people where they are and helping them take the next step in their spiritual journey.

My family is also looking forward to meeting you. My wife Beth is a public interest attorney and enthusiastic native plants gardener. Our son Lev makes friends everywhere he goes and loves exploring nature, especially bugs. Beyond my vocation, I enjoy reading and various creative pursuits, including graphic design and playing the ukulele. We all also love trying out new cuisines, so we hope you'll share your favorite restaurant recommendations! As Dean Stephen shared last week, I'll be joining you all on April 27. Until then, please keep our family in your prayers as we prepare for this transition—and know that I'll be holding you in prayer as well. Faithfully, Kristen+

### **Organ Recital Series & Early Music at St. James**



Join us at 1:00pm. Free events. Donations are welcome.

Tuesday, February 4: Sebastian Moreno

Tuesday, February 11: Manuel Piazza

Tuesday, February 18: St. Stanislav Youth Choir

Tuesday, February 25: Angus Sinclair

Feb 19 & 20: Early Music at St. James with Bud Roach.

## Mark your calendars for a month of celebration every Sunday in February!



**On Sundays:** Music from the repertoire of Black Composers: Samuel Coleridge Taylor, José Nunes Garcia, Florence Price, David Hurd, Roderick Williams, Trevor Weston and Moses Hogan.

**February 9 at 4:00pm:** Organ Recital.

We are privileged to hear the Third Symphony of Florence Price (1887-1953) played by Joshua Duncan Lee, who will also join us at the organ console for Evensong. Invite your friends!

**February 16 at 11:00am: St. James Celebrates Black History Month**

Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Waterman

**February 22 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm: International Potluck**

Join the Black History Month (BHM) Committee and celebrate the diverse nations and cultures that make up our Cathedral community! Enjoy the BHM exhibit, trivia, music & food. If you want to prepare & share a cultural dish as part of the potluck, please contact us by email at [info@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca), call 416-364-7865, or visit our website.

**February 23 at 4:30pm: Diocesan Celebration**

The Diocese celebrates the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 1<sup>st</sup> Diocesan Black History Service, featuring St. Paul's L'Amoreaux Steel Band and The Ghanaian Anglican Church Drummers. Presider: Bishop Andrew Asbil, Preacher: The Rev. Canon Dr. Stephen Fields.

**February 26: Worship and bagged lunch with the York Group**

The York Group invites you to join them for Holy Eucharist in St. George's Chapel, followed by a time of fellowship at 12:15pm with bagged lunch & drink in the Lecture Room.

**March 4: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**



Mark the last day before Lent with a parish pancake supper from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

There will be food, a crafts table for kids, and music!

This event is free, but **please RSVP** on Eventbrite, through our website, email [info@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca), or call 416-364-7865.

We are also looking for volunteers to help set up, serve, and clean up anytime between 4:00pm - 9:00pm. Want to help? Contact us.

**March 5: Ash Wednesday Services + Children & Youth Exploration Day**



**Regular services** at 7:30am, 12:15pm, 6:30pm.

All services include the Imposition of Ashes. The Cathedral will be open for prayer on Ash Wednesday from 7:30am – 7:30pm.

**Children & Youth Exploration Day from 10:30am-2:30pm:**

To register, visit our website [stjamescathedral.ca/explorationday/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/explorationday/), call 416-364-7865, or send an email to [info@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca)

### **March 8: The World Day of Prayer at St. James**



The World Day of Prayer (WDP) is a global movement and ecumenical event that brings Christians together each year to share a day of prayer, learning, and celebration. Supporting women in sharing their faith and speaking about their lives in prayer and worship is an important part of this movement. This year it is our turn to host. Women of the Cook Islands have prepared the colourful liturgy. The Children's Program includes a song that is popular in the Cook Islands, as well as activities for coloring and flower garlands. Join us at 2:00pm in the Cathedral.

### **March 9: Vestry Meeting**



Our next Vestry Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 9, 2025 in Snell Hall chaired by our Dean the Very Rev'd Dr. Stephen Hance. Only this Sunday, there will be one combined service at 10:00am and the Vestry meeting will follow after the service. Light lunch will be served. More information will come.

### **March 16: International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination**



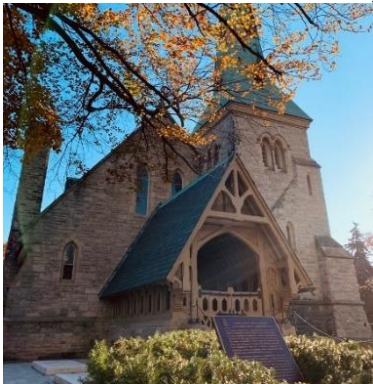
As we observe the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, we will inaugurate "The Marley Mass", a service inspired by the theology and lyrics of Reggae Superstar, Robert Nesta Marley and written by The Rev. Canon Dr. Stephen Fields. The service features seven of Marley's iconic songs. Join us at 4:30pm.

## **St. James Cemetery & Crematorium announcements**

### **This Wednesday, February 5: Monthly Eucharist at St. James Cemetery**

On the first Wednesday of the month at 11:00am all are welcome to a celebration of the Holy Eucharist in the Chapel of St. James-The-Less.

### **Preplan your funeral and cemetery services**



Preplanning gives you peace of mind and the opportunity to make your wishes known.

Cathedral clergy are available to assist with funeral plans and our cemetery staff would be pleased to help you preplan your interment and other cemetery services.

Protect yourself from future inflationary increases, too.

For more information: Please get in touch with the Vicar at [sfields@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:sfields@stjamescathedral.ca), or George Vrozos our Cemetery Manager at [cemetery@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:cemetery@stjamescathedral.ca), or 416-964-9194.



## 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.

The Dean is away on winter break this week.

**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 4 at 1:00pm. Organist: Sebastian Moreno.  
Admission is free & donations are encouraged.

**WEDNESDAY:** The Scripture Circle is taking a break today and will resume gatherings this Wednesday, February 5 at 11:00am (Community Room).

**FRIDAY:** Drop-In from 1:30pm to 3:30pm. We welcome our guests for a nutritious meal.

**SUNDAY:** 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.

### Sunday Services – February 9, 2025

**8:00am:** Said Eucharist

**9:00am:** Sung Eucharist (*also on the Cathedral YouTube channel at [youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto](https://youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto)*)

**11:00am:** Choral Eucharist (*also on the Cathedral YouTube channel at [youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto](https://youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto)*)

**4:30pm:** Choral Evensong (*also on the Cathedral YouTube channel at [youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto](https://youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto)*)

**Readings for February 9:**

**Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**

Isaiah 6.1-13

Psalms 138

1 Corinthians 15.1-11

Luke 5.1-11

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