

# **Fifth Sunday after The Epiphany**

*February 9, 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:

*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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## **Today at St. James**

*Presider: The Reverend Matthew Waterman*

*Homilist: The Very Reverend Dr. Stephen Hance*

*Deacon of the Mass: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields • Sub-Deacon: Leslie Laing*

*Anointer: The Reverend Canon Douglas Graydon*

*First Reader: Richard Harrop • Second Reader: Yvonne Joseph*

*Intercessor: Edwin Hawken • Honorary Verger: Paul Seddon, ODT*

*Communion Ministers: Andy Akin, Mary Hopperton & Leslie Laing*

*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*

***Today, The Reverend Matthew Waterman celebrates his first Sunday Masses***

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

*in celebration of the wedding anniversary of  
Jennifer Grant & Brian Wald*

*in loving memory of  
Thomas Arthur Heslop and Archdeacon Ian Grant*

*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: Duke Street

*All* Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun  
doth his successive journeys run;  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue  
dwell on his love with sweetest song,  
and infant voices shall proclaim  
their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns;  
the prisoners leap to lose their chains;  
the weary find eternal rest,  
and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring  
peculiar honours to our King,  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the loud Amen.

Text: Isaac Watts, alt. Music: John Hatton

*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 with thy spirit.**

*Presider* Almighty God,  
*People* **unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no  
secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of  
thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify  
thy 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, the children are invited to gather at the chancel steps before proceeding to the Library for Sunday School; they will return at the offertory.*

## Gloria

*Presider*

*Merbecke*

*Glo-ry be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will to-wards all. We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor-ship thee, we glo-ri-fy thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glo-ry. O Lord God, heav-en-ly King, God the Fa-ther al-migh-ty, O Lord, the on-ly be-got-ten Son, Je-sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. Thou that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer. Thou that sit-test at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mer-cy up-on us. For thou on-ly art ho-ly, thou on-ly art the Lord; thou on-ly, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost, art most high in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.*

## Collect of the Day

*Presider* Let us pray.

Loving God, you have called forth disciples to live and speak your word. May we hear, respond, and proclaim the good news of salvation, which we know in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

*People*      **Amen.**

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

*Please be seated.*

### **The First Reading**

*Isaiah 6*

*Reader*      In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.’

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: ‘Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!’

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: ‘Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.’ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?’ And I said, ‘Here am I; send me!’ And he said, ‘Go and say to this people:

“Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.” Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed.’ Then I said, ‘How long, O Lord?’ And he said: ‘Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the Lord sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. Even if a tenth part remains in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled.’ The holy seed is its stump.

*Reader*      The word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

*Psalm 138 – Chant by Joseph Barnby*

*Choir*

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;  
before the gods will I sing praise to you.  
I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your name,  
because of your love and faithfulness;  
for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.  
In the day that I called to you, you answered me;  
you put new strength in my soul.  
All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,  
for they have heard the words of your mouth.  
They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,  
that great is the glory of the Lord.  
Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly;  
as for the proud, he regards them from afar.  
Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you will preserve me;  
you will stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand will save me.  
The Lord shall make good his purpose for me;  
your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever;  
forsake not the work of your hands.

## The Second Reading

*1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

*Reader*

Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On

the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

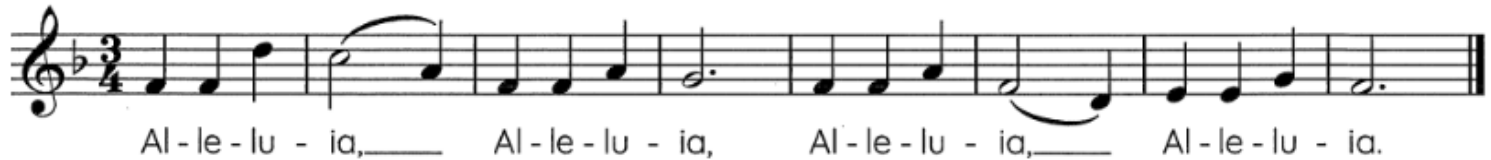
*Reader* The word of the Lord.

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

*Please stand.*

*Abraham Maraire*

### Gospel Acclamation



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*Cantor* I am the light of the world, says the Lord. Those who follow me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

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

### The Holy Gospel

*Luke 5:1-11*

*Reader* The Lord be with you.

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

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

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

*Reader* Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on



you will be catching people.’ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

*Reader* The Gospel of Christ.

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

## Homily

*Please stand.*

*Merbecke*

## The Nicene Creed

*Presider* I believe in one God,

*People* **The Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## The Prayers of the People

*Please adopt a posture of prayer.*

*Presider* Let us offer prayers in the presence of the Lord of Hosts, in whose presence cherubim and seraphim continually cry, “Holy, Holy, Holy,” saying “Lord, hear and have mercy.”

*Intercessor* Lord,

*People* **Hear and have mercy.**

*At the conclusion of the prayers.*

*Presider* Gracious Lord, touch our lips so that they may be clean, that our guilt may

depart, and that we may present ourselves eagerly for your service. We ask this in the name of Christ.

*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**

*Please stand.*

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

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

*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: New Britian

*All*            Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
                  that saved a wretch like me!  
                  I once was lost, but now am found:  
                  was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.

Text: St. 1-4, John Newton; St. 5, A Collection of Sacred Ballads, Richmond, 1790; Music: Melody Columbian Harmony, Cincinnati, 1829; adapt. Edwin Othello Excell. Text and Music: Public Domain

*Presider*      God of compassion and forgiveness, receive our offering this day, and  
                  make us one with him who is our peace, Jesus Christ our Saviour.

*People*        **Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

*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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who, in substance of our mortal flesh, manifested forth his glory, that he might bring us out of darkness into his own marvellous light.

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**

*Missal Pastoril by José Maurício Nunes Garcia*

*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* Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who 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; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake 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 ye all, of this; 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 Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

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

*Presider* And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with 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

*Merbecke*

*Presider* And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

*Presider* *All*

Our Fa-ther, who art in heav-en, hal-low-ed be thy name, thy king-dom come,  
 thy will be done, on earth as it is in heav-en. Give us this day our dai-ly bread,  
 And for-give us our tres-pass-es, as we for-give them that tres-pass a-gainst us.  
 And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
 For thine is the king-dom, the pow-er and the glo-ry, for-ev-er and ev-er. A - men.

*Silence*

## **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**

*Messe Ancienne by Trevor Weston*

*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.***

## **Communion Hymn**

*African American spiritual*

*All* Let us break bread together on our knees.  
Let us break bread together on our knees.

*Refrain:*

*When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord have mercy on me.*

Let us drink wine together on our knees.  
Let us drink wine together on our knees. [Refrain]  
Let us praise God together on our knees.  
Let us praise God together on our knees. [Refrain]

## **Motet Teach Me O Lord**

*David Hurd*

*Choir* Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes : and I shall keep it unto the end.

## Prayer after Communion

*Please stand.*

*Presider* Let us pray.

Eternal God, in you we find peace beyond all telling. May we who share in this heavenly banquet be instruments of your peace on earth, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

*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: Dominus Regit Me

*All* The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me,  
and on his shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never;  
good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever!

## Dismissal

*Deacon of the Mass* 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: The Anglican Church of Australia York Mills Deanery and St. James and Community Refugee Committee</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 9, 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 4:00pm:** Organ Recital by Joshua Duncan Lee. We are privileged to hear the Third Symphony of Florence Price (1887-1953).

### Celebrating Black History Month at St. James



*"Forgiveness says you are given another chance to make a new beginning."*

Desmond Tutu was a South African Anglican Archbishop, theologian, and an anti-apartheid and human rights activist. He was the first Black African to be the Bishop of Johannesburg and then Archbishop of Cape Town. He preached in our Cathedral twice during his lifetime.

### Music at St. James



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

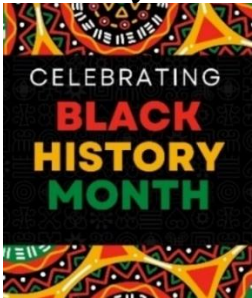
February 11: Manuel Piazza (Organ recital)

February 18: St. Stanislav Youth Choir (Choral music)

February 19 & 20: Bud Roach (Early Music at St. James)

February 25: Angus Sinclair (Organ recital)

### 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.

#### St. James Celebrates Black History Month:

February 16 at 11:00am: Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Waterman.

February 23 at 9:00am & 11:00am: Preacher Denise Byard.

#### 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 to [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 & The Ghanaian Anglican Church Drummers. Presider: Bishop Andrew Asbil & Preacher: 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. All are welcome!

## Until March 2: Scripture Circle - Epiphany Encounter with Christ



Enjoy a Scripture Circle series designed for anyone looking to encounter Christ afresh!

The Scripture Circle meets on Wednesdays and Sundays at 11:00am. Mark your calendars for Wednesdays at 11:00am (Community Room) & Sundays after the 11:00am service (Library).

## March 2: Palm Crosses



Last year's blessed palm crosses and branches may be brought to the Cathedral and placed in the baskets provided starting next Sunday, February 16. They will be burned after the 9:00am and 11:00am services on Sunday, March 2 on the West Lawn. The ashes will be used in the Ash Wednesday services at 7:30am, 12:15pm, 6:30pm. Please join us.

## 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)

## Young Adult Discipleship Series

Join The Rev. Matthew Waterman and the St. James Cathedral Young adults for our ongoing in-person series: *Acts of the Apostles: Witnesses of Jesus Christ*. Meetings are held on selected Wednesdays from January through June. To register, visit our website or contact him for more information. Don't miss this opportunity to deepen your faith!

## **March 8: Join us to celebrate The World Day of Prayer at St. James**



The World Day of Prayer (WDP) brings Christians together around the world to share a day of prayer, learning and celebration. Each year women from the host country share their region's concerns and hopes with Christians in 170 countries. This year, women of the Cook Islands have prepared the worship service. Financial offerings received at the service transform our prayers into action with project grants empowering women and children in our country and throughout the world. Grants range from \$500.00 to \$5,000.00. In 2023-2024 fifteen grants were made, including 9 grants to Canadian organizations. More info: [wdpcanada.ca/grant-programs](http://wdpcanada.ca/grant-programs)  
Art: "Wonderfully Made" by Tarani & Tevairangi Napa. Join us at 2:00pm.

## **March 16: International Day of 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 "Bob" 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 Outreach Program is looking for volunteers for working groups**

We are looking for volunteers to sit on two Working groups (the Drop-In Program and "Food for Thought" Drop-In Trivia night). If you are interested, please contact Kathy Biasi our Outreach Program Manager, at [kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca) or 416-364-7865 \*222.

## **VESTRY 2025**

### **February 16: Vestry List**

The Vestry List will be available for viewing next Sunday, February 16 at the back of the church after service or at the front desk Monday-Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm. Those listed are eligible to vote at Vestry this year. Additions or modifications can be made to the list.

### **March 6: Pre-Vestry Meeting**

A Pre-Vestry Meeting will be held online via Zoom on March 6 at 6:00pm. The meeting is an opportunity to learn more about the 2025 budget and 2024 financial audit statements and also provides an opportunity for those who cannot attend the Vestry Meeting in person. If you are a member of Vestry and would like to receive the link to attend the Pre-Vestry meeting, please send an email to [info@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca) or call 416-364-7865.

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

Our next Vestry Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 9 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.

## 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 11 at 1:00pm. Organist: Manuel Piazza.  
Admission is free & donations are encouraged.

**WEDNESDAY:** The Scripture Circle gathers 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 16, 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 16:**

**Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany**

*"Prisoner of Hope" by Archbishop Desmond Tutu*

Psalm 1

1 Corinthians 15.12-20

Luke 6.17-26

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