



The Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost

November 9, 2025

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 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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(scroll to the bottom of the page).

Questions? Speak to a sidesperson – the people wearing gold name tags.

Children & Families

Sunday School meets every week at the 11:00am service.

Please email Karyne Whalen at kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca for more information.

For more information on our Children's Community Choir,
please email Director Cara Halpin at chalpin@stjamescathedral.ca

Accessibility

A Wheelchair Accessible All-gender 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

Please join us at Snell Hall following the 9:00am and 11:00am service.

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There are a range of affordable parking lots available around the Cathedral.

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Today at St. James

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields

Homilist: The Venerable Steven Mackison

Lector: Edwin Hawken

Director of Music & Organist: Thomas Bell

Associate Organist: Jean-Paul Feo

Wayne Vance Organ Scholar: Joshua Duncan Lee

Sung by The Choir of St. James Cathedral

The flowers in the Cathedral are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of

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

Please ensure that cell phones are muted.

Choral Evensong

Our practice at Evensong is to stand for the choir processions, the canticles, and the hymn; to sit for the Bible readings, the Psalms and the homily; and to kneel or sit for prayer. You are invited to assume postures that support your comfortable and prayerful engagement in this service.

Prelude Prelude sur le nom d'Alain

Maurice Duruflé

Welcome

Introit **Deep River**

arr. R. Nathaniel Dett

Deep River, my home is over Jordan. Deep River, Lord.

I want to cross over into campground.

Oh, don't you want to go, to that gospel feast, that promised land, where all is peace?

Deep River, my home is over Jordan. Deep River, Lord.

I want to cross over into campground.

Please stand when the organ plays.

Preces and Responses

Matthew Martin

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.

Psalm 72:1-14

Chant by Walter Alcock

Choir Give the king your judgements, O God,
 and your righteousness to the son of a king.

Then shall he judge your people righteously
 and your poor with justice.

May the mountains bring forth peace,
 and the little hills righteousness for the people.

May he defend the poor among the people,
 deliver the children of the needy and crush the oppressor.

May he live as long as the sun and moon endure,
from one generation to another.
May he come down like rain upon the mown grass,
like the showers that water the earth.
In his time shall righteousness flourish,
and abundance of peace
till the moon shall be no more.
May his dominion extend from sea to sea
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
May his foes kneel before him
and his enemies lick the dust.
The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute;
the kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring gifts.
All kings shall fall down before him;
all nations shall do him service.
For he shall deliver the poor that cry out,
the needy and those who have no helper.
He shall have pity on the weak and poor;
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence,
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

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.

First Lesson

Amos 5:14-24

Reader

Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of hosts, the Lord: In all the squares there shall be wailing; and in all the streets they shall say, 'Alas! alas!' They shall call the farmers to mourning, and those skilled in lamentation, to wailing; in all the vineyards there shall be wailing, for I will pass through the midst of you, says the Lord.

Alas for you who desire the day of the Lord! Why do you want the day of the Lord? It is darkness, not light; as if someone fled from a lion, and

was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake. Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt-offerings and grain-offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Reader Here ends the lesson.

Magnificat

The 'Hatfield Service' by Alec Roth

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.

Second Lesson

Luke 4:14-21

Reader

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’

Reader Here ends the lesson.

Nunc Dimittis

The ‘Hatfield Service’ by Alec Roth

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.

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

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Officiant

Our Father

Choir

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 God.

Officiant

O God, make clean our hearts within us;

Choir

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collects

Officiant

Living God, burning wild and unconfined: free us from the fear of death and take away the limits which bind our imagination and choke our compassion, so that we may feel your pleasure in all that brings us life; through Jesus Christ, risen and ascended.

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.

Anthem **If ye be risen again with Christ** *Orlando Gibbons*
Choir If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.
Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

Homily **A Renewed Church: What happens when we 'Respond to Human Need by Loving Service'**

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Hymn at the Collection

Tune: Rhosymedre

All You call us, Lord, to be a people set apart,
to feel with thoughtful mind and think with tender heart.

Refrain

*Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace
to make us equal to the task.*

You call us, Lord, to care for self and neighbour too,
to take the risk, and dare to show what love can do. Refrain

You call us, Lord, to be good stewards of the earth;
to tend to it as a place of blessedness and worth. Refrain

You call us, Lord, to serve: to die that we may live,
to know we best receive when joyfully we give. Refrain

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Offertory Prayer

Officiant Let us pray.

God of abundance and growth, you water the seeds of faith and nourish us with your Spirit. Receive these gifts we bring, and bless them for the

work of your kingdom, that your love may take root in every place, and your justice bear fruit in every heart. In Christ we pray.

People **Amen.**

Prayers

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.**

Final Response

Edward Woodall Naylor

Officiant The Lord be with you;

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

Choir Thanks be to God.

Postlude Fugue sur le nom d'Alain

Maurice Duruflé

PRAYER CYCLE

This week, please pray for:

*The Church in the Province of the West Indies; Lay Ministry and the Education for Ministry programs
and the children and families of the Cathedral*

PASTORAL CARE

If you know someone who would appreciate a call from our pastoral care team, please contact:

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ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS - Sunday, November 9, 2025

Regular services at 8:00am, 9:00am (*Worship Together*), 11:00am, and 4:30pm.

Children & Families: Sunday school at 11:00am. **Coffee Hour:** After 9:00am & 11:00am.

Today at 10:15am: Gathering at the Memorial Cross for observance.

Today at 11:00am: The Royal Regiment of Canada members join the Cathedral community for their Service and Parade.

Today at 1:00pm-2:30pm: The Governor General's Horse Guards' Service & Parade.

Today at 4:30pm: Evensong Sermon Series with The Ven. Steven Mackison.

Message from Dean Stephen Hance

STEWARDSHIP SERIES

Our morning preaching series is called *Abundant Grace, Faithful Response: Stewardship for God's Mission*. Financial stewardship is our response to God's goodness and generosity to us. We are being invited to examine our own stewardship of the resources God has entrusted to us and to consider how we might give back joyfully. Let me encourage you to join us on this journey and to prayerfully consider your response.

Ready to begin your journey of generosity with us? Fill out the blue pamphlet or visit stjamescathedral.ca/community/stewardship/ to submit your Giving commitment.

Nov. 22: Music Open House – St. Cecilia's Day

Music Open House

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

Celebrate this special day and the gift of music with us!

Join our choirs for an open rehearsal, or listen to organ recitals and performances from our musicians.

9:30am–10:30am: Children's Community Choir Open Rehearsal

10:30am–11:15am: Organ Recital by Thomas Bell

11:15am–12:00pm: Cathedral Choir Open Rehearsal/Performance

12:15pm: St. Cecilia's Day Eucharist with the Cathedral Choir

For more information, visit stjamescathedral.ca/musicopenhouse/

For musical enquiries: Thomas Bell, Director of Music at tbell@stjamescathedral.ca

Dec. 20: Merry Moments featuring the Children's Community Choir



Mark your calendars for Saturday, Dec. 20, at 10:30am, when our Children's Community Choir will be offering choral leadership for Merry Moments.

The fun continues after the service with a Nativity Animal petting zoo on the West Lawn from 11:00am to 1:00pm, with hot chocolate and snacks for all.

Invite your friends and neighbours to this joyful, family-friendly event. Open to all, and no RSVP needed.

Just come and share in the spirit of Christmas with us!

Nov. 23 at 1:00pm: The York Group's Annual General Meeting



All parishioners are warmly invited to attend the York Group's AGM in the Lecture Room. Dean Stephen Hance will be our speaker. He will address the topic "*What I learned from the Church of England*". There will be a short business agenda with a light lunch, followed by a time of fellowship. Please RSVP to info@stjamescathedral.ca or by calling 416-364-7865, Ext. 221 to register.

Beginning on Nov. 24 at 7:30pm: Baptism Preparation for Holy Baptism



Holy Baptism will be celebrated on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, on Jan. 11. Preparation sessions will begin on Nov. 24 and will take place online at 7:30pm each week. To register, please follow this link: stjamescathedral.ca/worship/baptism-and-weddings

Until Dec. 8: Christmas Memorial Flowers



A beautiful way to remember a loved one at Christmas is through the memorial poinsettias placed in the Cathedral for the season. Names can be emailed to Serena Li at sli@stjamescathedral.ca or placed in a clearly marked envelope on the collection plate. Donations of \$45 or more per name or per couple will be designated to the Cathedral Flower Fund.

Payment options: E-transfer to gifts@stjamescathedral.ca (*Specify Memorial Flowers*), credit card, online, or cheque.

Dec.13 at 7:30pm: *Messiah*. Regular/Patron tickets available. RSVP today.

Join us for our traditional Messiah Concert & celebrate the joy of Christmas with us.



The Choirs of St. James Cathedral and Trinity College, U of T, with the Orchestra of St. James perform *Messiah*.

Regular ticket: \$45 per person

Patron packages:

\$300 (2 tickets, reserved seating, names in the program, Wine & Cheese, tax receipt of \$170 issued in January).

\$150 (1 ticket, reserved seating, name in the program, Wine & Cheese, tax receipt of \$85 issued in January).

To become a Patron: (416)364-7865 Ext. 258 or bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca

Tickets + details:

stjamescathedral.ca/messiah2025/

Save the dates & celebrate the Christmas season with us. All are welcome!
Back by popular demand, we will blend again cherished traditions with exciting services.
Bring your family and friends to share in the joy and warmth of the season. Join us!



THE Cathedral
Church of St. James

Christmas

AT ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

A TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS

1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2025

4:30PM Advent Lessons & Carols*

BLUE CHRISTMAS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025

6:30PM A Service of Hope

MESSIAEN'S LA NATIVITÉ

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2025

7:30PM Organ Recital by Rashaan Allwood

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2025

4:30PM Christmas Lessons & Carols*

CHRISTMAS EVE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2025

4:00PM Festive Organ Recital*

4:30PM Lessons & Carols*

7:30PM Choral Eucharist*

CHRISTMAS DAY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2025

8:00AM Said Eucharist

10:30AM Choral Eucharist*

MERRY MOMENTS

30 MINUTES OF HOLIDAY SPIRIT

TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS CAROLS,
SHORT READINGS & PRAYERS
FOR EVERYONE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2025

4:00PM Merry Moments

6:00PM Merry Moments

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2025

1:00PM Merry Moments

5:30PM Merry Moments

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2025

10:30AM Merry Moments

with the Children's Community Choir

11:00AM - 1:00PM Nativity Animals

on the West Lawn with hot chocolate and snacks

1:00PM Merry Moments

* Livestreamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel:
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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.

Online Morning Prayer:

Join our clergy and fellow members of the Cathedral from Monday to Friday for Morning Prayer in our **Zoom Chapel**.

To access, please follow this link: <https://bit.ly/MPatSJC> or scan the QR code. For more information, visit: stjamescathedral.ca/morningprayer/



Tuesday:

10:00am: St. James Cemetery – Remembrance Day Service

1:00pm: Organ Recitals in the Cathedral. Free admission, donations welcome!

Wednesday: Scripture Circle gathers in the Cathedral Centre at 11:00am.

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

Saturday: Children's Community Choir Rehearsal from 9:30am to 10:30am.

Sunday Services – Nov. 16, 2025

8:00am: Said Eucharist

9:00am: Worship Together*

11:00am: Choral Eucharist*

4:30pm: Choral Evensong*

**Live-streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto*

Readings for Faithworks and Refugee Sunday

Is 65:17-25

Ps 98

2 Th 3:6-13

Lk 21:5-19

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