



November 28, 2021  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent  
**Holy Eucharist**  
9:15 am



**WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH DEER PARK**  
We are glad to have you worship with us!

We are a growing, diverse, and energetic faith community learning to follow Jesus together.  
Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are invited to join us.

**Prelude**     Prelude #2 opus 37

*Mendelssohn*

## **The Welcome**

### **Opening Hymn**

*(please stand)*

Hosanna, Praise Is Rising

*Brown*

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You

We turn to You

Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You

We long for You

When we see You

We find strength to face the day

In Your presence all our fears

Are washed away, washed away

Hosanna, Hosanna

You are the God who saves us

Worthy of all our praises

Hosanna, Hosanna

Come have Your way among us

We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You

We turn to You

In Your kingdom broken lives are made new

You make all things new

### **The Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

**Reader:**     Today is the first Sunday of Advent. Advent is a time of waiting and preparing to celebrate Christ's coming into the world. It is an active time as we work to prepare a loving and peaceful world for the Messiah – a world where nation will not lift up sword against nation, where we will not hate but love, a world where we will walk in the light of the Lord. Come Lord Jesus. Come soon.

**All:**         **Lord Jesus, Light of the world, the prophets said you would bring peace and save your people in trouble: Give peace in our hearts at Advent and show all the world God's love and justice. This we pray in your name. Amen.**

Music: Christ, Be our Light

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.

***Refrain***

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.

**The Greeting**

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

**The Collect of the Day**

Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**All: Amen**

**Reading**

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness." *Jeremiah 33:14-16*

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

O my God, I trust in thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me.

Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress without cause.

Shew me thy ways, O Lord; teach me thy paths.

Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.

Remember, O Lord, thy tender mercies and thy loving kindnesses; for they have been ever of old.

Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O Lord.

Good and upright is the Lord: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.

### **The Holy Gospel**

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. Be on

guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man." *Luke 21:25-36*

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

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

## **Message**

Musical Interlude

## **What We Believe**

*(please stand)*

Presider: Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

**All: We believe and trust in him.**

Presider: Do you believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

**All: We believe and trust in him.**

Presider: Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

**All: We believe and trust in him.**

Presider: This is the faith of the Church.

**All: This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father,  
Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

*We pray for the needs of our world, the Church, and ourselves.*

Intercessor: Loving God we ask for the gift of your Holy Spirit to help us pray as we ought. Let us pray to the Creator saying, God of grace,

**All: Hear our prayer.**

## The Confession

*As we approach God's Table, we confess the ways we have not loved God and others.*

**All: Almighty God,  
We need your healing and forgiveness:  
give us true repentance.  
Some sins are plain to us, some escape us,  
some we cannot face.  
Forgive us, set us free to hear your word to us;  
set us free to serve you,  
in all that we do, say and think.  
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## Prayer of Pardon

Presider: Merciful God,  
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace;  
that we may be cleansed from all our sins  
and serve you with a quiet mind;  
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. **Amen**

## The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**All: And also with you.**

## Sharing What We Have

*(please be seated)*

*We rejoice that God has blessed our community and we have the opportunity to give back to God and serve others in the name of Christ. Your generous support helps anchor our mission and ministry as together we navigate these turbulent times. Many of us give with weekly donation or by pre-authorized giving. And there is a place on our website to make a donation. We are grateful for all gifts however if this is your first time here today please know that you are very welcome, we are glad you are here, and there is no obligation to contribute financially.*

## Offertory Hymn

Open The Eyes of My Heart

*Smith*

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

To see you high and lifted up

Shining in the light of Your glory

Pour out Your power and love

As we sing holy, holy, holy

## Prayer over the Gifts

*(please stand)*

Presider: God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh, and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in the power and great triumph to judge this world, that we without shame or fear may rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the angels and archangels, and with all the company in heaven who for sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus & Benedictus

**All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name, of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All: we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Presider: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.  
We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;



by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**All: Amen**

### The Lord's Prayer

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

**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen**

### Breaking of the Bread

Presider: God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

**All: Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.**

Presider: These are the gifts of God, for you the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Motet

*(please be seated)*

“Rejoice in the Lord Always

*Anon(16th c.)*

### Prayer after Communion

*(please stand)*

Presider: Let us pray.

God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord.

**All: Amen.**

**All: Glory to God, 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.**

### Blessing

Presider: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always.

**All: Amen.**

## Announcements

### Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### Closing Hymn

#### **Come, Thou Long-expected Jesus**

*Stuttgart*

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,  
born to set thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us,  
let us find our rest in thee.

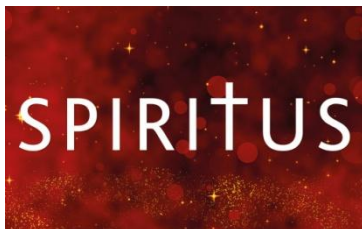
Israel's strength and consolation,  
hope of all the earth thou art;  
dear desire of every nation,  
joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver;  
born a child and yet a King,  
born to reign in us forever,  
now thy gracious kingdom bring.

By thine own eternal Spirit  
rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all-sufficient merit,  
raise us to thy glorious throne.

**Postlude** Fuga sopra il Magnificat BWV 733

*Bach*



The **December issue** of *Spiritus* is now available. Please enjoy our newsletter [online](#) or if you are attending the service in person, please pick up a copy when you leave.



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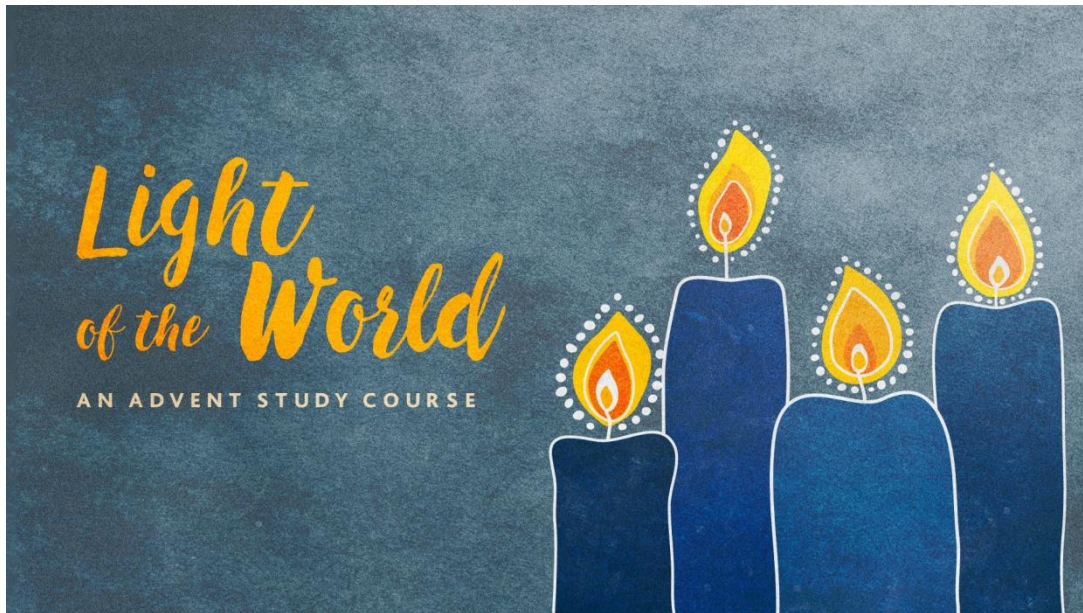
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# Announcements



## An Advent Study

Explore Advent through the stories of Zechariah and Elizabeth, Mary, the journey to Bethlehem and the visit from the Magi. Written and presented by Dr. Amy-Jill Levine, Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies at Vanderbilt Divinity School, the internationally renowned scholar and teacher breaks open the birth narratives for us to engage in rich Advent discussions. Through videos and conversations, we will explore the relationship of the Gospel stories to the Old Testament, the role of women in first-century Jewish culture, the importance of Mary's visitation and the revolutionary implications of Mary's Magnificat, the census and the stable, the star of Bethlehem and the flight to Egypt. In *Light of the World*, Levine's focus is to understand Jesus in his historical context and within his own religious tradition, Judaism. Please join us for an exciting journey of faith this Advent.

Dates: Tuesdays; November 30, December 7, 14, 21

Time: 7:00-8:30

Place: Zoom

Registration: please email Cathy Gibbs ([adultministries@christchurchdeerpark.org](mailto:adultministries@christchurchdeerpark.org))



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FIRST THURSDAY  
OF EVERY MONTH  
7PM

# TAIZE

Prayer & Bible Introduction

Online and In-Person at Christ Church Deer Park  
Please see CCDP's website for Zoom link:  
christchurchdeerpark.org

**Thursday  
December 2<sup>nd</sup>  
at 7 pm**

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you..." (John 14:27) Are you seeking contemplative peace in your life? Taizé worship is a beautiful and meditative style of Christian prayer incorporating scripture, song, and silence. This is an opportunity to enter into God's loving presence in stillness and recollection. All are welcome to participate.

We are pleased to announce that Christ Church Deer Park is collaborating with the nearby Church of the Transfiguration to bring the beautiful style of Taizé worship to more people. Parishioners from Transfiguration will be joining our Taizé services either online or in-person as they feel comfortable, and their priest Reverend Michael Perry will lead a contemplative bible reflection after the service inspired by the Brothers of the Taizé community in France. Michael spent time living at Taizé and we are grateful to be able to learn from his experience leading this form of worship. We are thrilled to be working together with Transfiguration in this way! Please join us on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm as we begin this partnership. To register to attend either in person or online please visit our website: <https://christchurchdeerpark.org>

# GLAD TIDINGS

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## A CHRISTMAS CONCERT

SUNDAY ❄️ DECEMBER 12 ❄️ 2 PM

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4:30 PM**

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## The 10:30 Service is Back!

On January 9<sup>th</sup> we will re-launch our 10:30am service, in addition to the existing 9:15am. At the 10:30am liturgy, proof of double vaccination will be required. Bishop Asbil is allowing us to institute such a liturgy in order to include and encourage everyone to attend worship, including the immune-compromised. Masks and contact tracing will still be in effect. However, in order to launch this service, we will need volunteers to help check vaccine verifications each Sunday. If you are able to help with this, please contact the office ([info@christchurchdeerpark.org](mailto:info@christchurchdeerpark.org)) or any of our wardens. No proof of vaccination is needed to attend church at 9:15am.

With a “vaccine verification service” at 10:30am, we look forward to seeing many more of you in attendance each Sunday. An added feature of the first rebooted service will be the introduction of our new interim Director of Music. Come out to meet and welcome him.



Sea level rise will make Pacific and Indian Ocean atolls uninhabitable by 2050.. Coral reefs are severely bleached, seabird populations protecting them having sharply declined. Wealthy developed countries have failed to provide the \$100 billion help they promised.



### Truth and Reconciliation Working Group

The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF) has created ***Responsive Programs*** within its ***Indigenous Programs in Canada*** to fund Indigenous groups working in the areas of Safe Water, Community Health, Climate Action, and Empowering Youth. Contributions to these initiatives can be made at



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## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that the land on which we worship is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (*ho-den-oh-show-nee*), and Anishinabek (*ah-nish-nah-bek*) Nations, and most recently, the territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. This territory is part of the *Dish with One Spoon Treaty*, an agreement between the Anishinabek, Haudenosaunee, and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes.

Today, Toronto is still home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (*North America*) and we seek to live in respect, peace, and right relations with them as we meet and worship on this territory. We are grateful for the resources we are using, and honour all the First Nations, Métis, and Inuit people who have been living on this land since time immemorial.

## ! VISITOR INFORMATION



**Hearing Assistance Devices** are located on the table beside the bell-tower entrance.

**Large Print** Orders of Service are available.

## Happening this week at Christ Church Deer Park:

### Tuesday, November 30

11:30 am Church open for Prayer  
7:00 pm Advent Study - Zoom

### Wednesday, December 1

7:30 am Holy Eucharist – In Person

### Saturday, December 4

11:30 am Community Breakfast

### Sunday, December 5 – Second Sunday of Advent

9:15 am Children and Youth meet in the Arthur Smith room for C/Y Ministry--also available online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/545018894?pwd=TIhuRVBram51b2ZtQkg1SDdBN1IKQT09#success>

9:15 am Holy Eucharist – In Person & Live Stream



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