

December 19, 2021 4th 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 Prière à Notre-Dame Boellmann

The Welcome

Opening Hymn #95

(please stand)

O Come, Divine Messiah

Venez Divin Messie

O come, Divine Messiah, the world in silence waits the day when hope shall sing its triumph, and sadness flee away.

Dear Saviour, haste! Come, come to earth.

Dispel the night and show your face, and bid us hail the dawn of grace.

O come, Divine Messiah, the world in silence waits the day when hope shall sing its triumph, and sadness flee away.

O Christ, whom nations sigh for, whom priest and prophet long foretold, come, break the captives' fetters, redeem the long-lost fold.

Dear Saviour, haste! Come, come to earth.

Dispel the night and show your face, and bid us hail the dawn of grace.

O come, Divine Messiah, the world in silence waits the day when hope shall sing its triumph, and sadness flee away.

You come in peace and meekness and lowly will your cradle be; all clothed in human weakness shall we your Godhead see.

Dear Saviour, haste! Come, come to earth.

Dispel the night and show your face, and bid us hail the dawn of grace.

O come, Divine Messiah, the world in silence waits the day

when hope shall sing its triumph, and sadness flee away.

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Reader

Today is the Fourth Sunday of Advent. We meet Mary today and join with her in proclaiming the goodness of God. Through her and the angels and the prophets, God promised us a Saviour – and sent his Son Jesus. We are amazed that Jesus came into the world and lived among us. And if that was not enough – he promised to come again. Come Lord Jesus. Come soon.

Reader

Let us pray.

God of love and compassion, the angel told the Virgin Mary that she was to be the mother of your Son. Though Mary was afraid, she responded to your call with love and joy. Help us, whom you call to serve you, to share like her in your great work of bringing to all people the good news of your love and mercy; that through us the world may know the wonder of your love. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the Light who is coming into the world. Amen.

All

Lord Jesus, Light of the world, blessed is the angel who brought good news; blessed is Mary your mother who loved and obeyed God: Bless your Church preparing for Christmas; and bless us your children who long for your coming. Come Lord Jesus. Come soon. Amen.

Music:

Christ, Be our Light

Longing for shelter, many are homeless Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us Your building, sheltering others Walls made of living stone.

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.

Heavenly Father, who chose the Virgin Mary, full of grace, to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour, now fill us with your grace, that we in all things may embrace your will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 Micah

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace.

Micah 5:2-5a

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn #362

Tell Out, My Soul Woodlands

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 forevermore!

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.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord." And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever." Luke 1:39-55

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Message

Musical Interlude

I Sing of a Maiden Hadley

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 God.

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 God.

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: Brothers and sisters in Christ, as we joyfully await the glorious coming of

our Messiah, let us pray for the needs of the church, our community, and the

world. In response to "The Lord is coming" please say,

All: Come, Lord Jesus.

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: In the tender mercy of our God, the dayspring from on high shall break

upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of

death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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

Light of The World

Daigle

The world waits for a miracle
The heart longs for a little bit of hope
Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel
A child prays for peace on Earth
And she's calling out from a sea of hurt
Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel

And can you hear the angels singing

Glory to the light of the world Glory, the light of the world is here

The drought breaks with the tears of a mother A baby's cry is the sound of love Come down, come down, Emmanuel He is the song for the suffering He is Messiah, the Prince of Peace has come He has come, Emmanuel

Glory to the light of the world

For all who wait
For all who hunger
For all who've prayed
For all who wonder
Behold your King
Behold Messiah
Emmanuel, Emmanuel

Glory to the light of the world

The world waits for the miracle The heart longs for a little bit of hope Oh come, oh come Emmanuel

Prayer over the Gifts

(please stand)

Presider: Gracious God, by the power of the Spirit who sanctified the mother of your

Son, make holy all we offer you this day. We ask this in the name of Jesus

Christ the 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 ever sing this hymn

to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus & Benedictus

All: 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 the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Motet (please be seated)

Ave Maria Palestrina

Prayer after Communion

(please stand)

Presider: Let us pray.

Faithful God, in this sacrament we receive the promise of salvation. May we, like the Virgin Mary, be obedient to your will. We ask this in the name of

Jesus 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

Closing Hymn #114

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

Helmsley

Lo, he comes with clouds descending, once for favoured sinners slain; thousand thousand saints attending swell the triumph of his train: hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah! God appears on earth to reign.

Every eye shall now behold him, robed in dreadful majesty; all who set at nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the tree, deeply grieving, deeply grieving, shall the true Messiah see.

Now redemption, long expected, see in solemn pomp appear; all his saints, on earth rejected, thrill the triumph sound to hear: hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah! See the day of God appear!

Yea, amen, let all adore thee, high on thine eternal throne; Saviour, take the power and glory; claim the kingdom for thine own: O come quickly! O come quickly! O come quickly! Hallelujah! Come, Lord, come!

Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Toccata Suite Gothique, Opus 25 Boellmann



Presider: The Reverend Robert Gorham

Preacher:
The Reverend Canon Cheryl Palmer

Advent Wreath Lighting: Sabine Scurfield Elsa Scurfield

> Reader: Ava Tumne

Intercessor: Hunter Simpson

Interim Director of Music:
Dermot Muir

Soloists:
Sonya Harper Nyby
Julia Barber
Peter Warren
Liz Gan
Juliet Histed

Musician: Nick Gan

Live Stream Production: James Finnerty

Verger: George Vargas-Lujan

Announcements



CHRISTMAS EVE - DECEMBER 24th

4:00 pm ONLINE

A Christmas Service with Pageant, for young families. Register online at www.christchurchdeerpark.org

7:00 pm

IN-PERSON & LIVE STREAMED

A contemporary, relaxed Christmas celebration with classic carols, choir, creche procession, candles and communion. Great for young families and newcomers. Reserve your free ticket or stream online.

9:00 pm

IN-PERSON

A traditional Christmas Eve Liturgy with Choir, Carols and Communion. Vaccine certification with identification required. Reserve your free ticket online. CHRISTMAS DAY - DECEMBER 25th

IN-PERSON 9:00 am

> A quiet, reflective, and traditional Christmas Day liturgy with Choir, Carols and Communion. Reserve your free ticket online.

BOXING DAY - DECEMBER 26th

IN-PERSON & LIVE STREAMED 9:15 am

> Christmas Carol Service. Reserve your free ticket or stream online.

ADVENT 4 - DECEMBER 19th

4:30 pm IN-PERSON

Jazz Vespers: A Charlie Brown Christmas. Vaccine certification with identification required. Reserve your free ticket online.



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JAZZ VESPERS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19 4:30 PM

'A Charlie Brown Christmas'

Join us for a special **Christmas Jazz Vespers** with **John Sherwood** (piano), **Brian Barlow** (drums) **& Scott Alexander** (bass)

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Music Leadership at CCDP

Ours is a parish that values a vast array of music. Whether traditional, contemporary, or jazz, the liturgical music of Christ Church enriches the faith of many of us, as well as draws in newcomers. Thus, every effort is made to offer engaging and uplifting music. None of this occurs without the leadership of a good and strong musician.

CCDP has been fortunate to have gifted musicians leading our choir over the years. However, since September of 2020 when Matthew Otto left, we have had a number of Interim Directors of Music. With the pandemic in full force and the choir "working from home", we have not launched a search for a permanent Director of Music. This will soon change. In the new year the Management Team will strike a search committee for a new organist and Director of Music who we hope will be able to begin soon after Easter.

In the meantime, we have engaged a new Interim Director of Music, who will be with us until Easter. Nicholas Wanstall is a young, new graduate with a lot of enthusiasm and eagerness, who is keen to get started working at CCDP. I am thankful we have this opportunity to have Nicholas with us, because we have a role (as a strong musical parish) to raise up and encourage vibrant, new vocations. In nurturing his ministry as a young organist, we can offer a gift to the wider church.



Born in 1999 in Toronto, Ontario, Nicholas began taking piano lessons at a very young age with his grandmother, Arden Broadhurst. He started singing in the Bach Children's Chorus during grade school, and this sparked his passion for choral music. In Grade 7 Nicholas began his studies at St. Michael's Choir School in downtown Toronto where he developed a love for and knowledge of sacred choral repertoire. During his time at the Choir School, Nicholas also learned to play the pipe organ under the direction of his first organ teacher, Peter Daly.

After high school, Nicholas continued his studies at the University of Toronto, Faculty of Music, completing a bachelor's degree in Organ Performance with a minor in Composition. He studied organ with John Tuttle and composition with Roger Bergs, two fantastic musicians and educators. Nicholas now works professionally as an organist, pianist, singer, conductor, composer, arranger, and as an audio and video editor.

The 10:30 Service is Back!

On January 9th 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) 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.



Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the house, not a creature was stirring except for... Mrs. Claus, who was trying to find the wrapping paper, and the ribbon, and all she could see in that cupboard, (you know which one) were items that should be in the CCDP Reimagine Rummage Sale!

We are ready to accept donations. Please bring your gently used items to the heath street office entrance of the church on any of the following dates:

- -January 8th 12-4pm.
- -January 22nd 12-4pm.
- -February 12th 12-4pm

And don't forget to save the date for our rummage sale on April 23rd, 2022.

The Reimagine Rummage team thanks you for your support!



The 88 combat jets that Canada plans to buy would burn 104,000+ liters of fuel per hour, with massive greenhouse gas emissions.

Jesus said "Blessed are the peacemakers".

Truth and Reconciliation Working Group

Talking to your kids about residential schools: This era in history is difficult for us to approach, and we may want to shield our children from it-- but it's important to remember that very young children were sent to so-called

"schools," and sadly no one was able to protect them. There are many resources to talk about this subject with your kids-- who have probably heard about these places on the news, from friends, or in school and are curious to have a discussion! For younger children, author Monique Grey Smith has a video for parents: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ebOJ lMCVvk. For older kids, The Secret Path, a collaboration between the late Gord Downie and Chanie Wenjack's family, is another good resource. The full film, as well as a discussion about the project, is available on YouTube https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGd764YU9yc. Feel free to contact CCDP's Children and Youth Coordinator, Vivia Kay Kieswetter, for more help with talking to your kids about this chapter of the church's history: vkay@christchurchdeerpark.org

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that the land on which we worship is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-shownee), and Anishinabek (ah-nish-nahbek) Nations, and most recently, the territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. This territory is part of the Dishwith 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.

UVISITOR 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, December 21

7:00 pm Advent Study - Zoom

Wednesday, December 22

7:30 am Holy Eucharist – In Person

Friday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

4:00 pm Young Family Christmas Eve

Service with Pageant - Zoom

7:00 pm Christmas Eve Service – In person

& Live Stream

9:00 pm Christmas Eve Service – In person

Saturday, December 25 - Christmas Day

8:00 am Community Breakfast

9:00 am Christmas Day Service-In person

Sunday, December 26 – 1st Sunday after Christmas

9:15 am Christmas Carol Service –

In Person & Live Stream



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