Christ Church Deer Park

December 25, 2022 Christmas Day Holy Eucharist at 10:00 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.

Hello! Whether this is your first time through our doors or your one thousandth, we are glad you are here! At our church you are welcome to participate as much or as little as you are comfortable doing.

So, what is our community like? Well, we are a church community from different generations and different walks of life. We are here because we want to follow Jesus and live in community with one another and our neighbours in this little corner of Toronto. We care deeply about feeding the hungry and welcoming refugees; we affirm that all people, including our LGBTQ2SI+ siblings, are made in the image of God and should be included in all the practices of our life of faith; and, no matter where we are on our spiritual journeys, we strive to lament together, rejoice together, and hold each other up on this journey of faith and life.

We welcome families to our worship! Your children are an important part of our services – even if they're wiggly, a bit playful, or make some noise. Most Sundays (except for the final Sunday of the month) during 9:15 and 10:30 services, grownups are welcome to drop their child(ren) off downstairs in St. Nicholas' Chapel for dedicated children and youth programming. We also have a small children's play area in our front chapel. If you need to move around to and from these spaces with your child during service, that is entirely allowed! We also provide young children with a busy bag package. Please feel free to contact our Children and Youth Coordinator Vivia Kay Cook with any questions about how we can best serve your family!

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Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn #118 v. 1, 2, 3, 5

(please stand as you are able)

O Come All Ye Faithful

Adeste Fideles

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem: come and behold him, born the King of angels;

Refrain:

O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

God of God, Light of Light, lo, he abhors not the virgin's womb; very God, begotten not created: [Refrain]

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing, all ye citizens of heaven above; glory to God, glory in the highest: [Refrain]

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning, Jesus, to thee be glory given; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing: [Refrain]

Gathering (please remain standing)

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.

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King,
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Refrain:

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord; late in time behold him come, offspring of a virgin's womb.

Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail, the incarnate Deity, pleased as one of us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel! [Refrain]

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise each child of earth,
born to give us second birth. [Refrain]

The Collect of the Day

Presider:

O God our Father, whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem, may the light of faith illumine our hearts and shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Listening to God (please be seated)

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Isaiah 52:7-10

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98 Hobby

Cantor: All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

All: All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Cantor: Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done marvellous things,

whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory,

O Lord, you have made known your victory,

you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;

all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

All: All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Cantor: Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
Sing to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the king, the Lord.

All: All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Cantor: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,

the world and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands,

and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,

who comes to judge the earth.

The Lord will judge the world with righteousness

and the peoples with equity.

All: All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

(please stand as you are able)

Gradual Hymn #132 v. 1, 2, 3

Of Eternal Love Begotten

Divinum Mysterium

Solo: Of eternal love begotten,

ere the worlds began to be, he is Alpha and Omega,

he the source, the ending he,

of the things that are, that have been,

and that future years shall see,

evermore and evermore.

All: At his Word the worlds were framed.

He commanded, it was done:

heaven and earth and depths of ocean,

in their threefold order one;

all that grows beneath the shining,

of the moon and burning sun,

evermore and evermore.

O that birth for ever blessed, when the virgin, full of grace, by the Holy Ghost conceiving, bare the Saviour of our race, and the babe, the world's redeemer, first revealed his sacred face, evermore and evermore.

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

John 1:1-14

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn #132 v. 5, 6

Of Eternal Love Begotten

Divinum Mysterium

O ye heights of heaven adore him; angel hosts, his praises sing; all dominions bow before him, and extol our God and king; let no tongue on earth be silent, every voice in concert ring, evermore and evermore.

Christ, to thee, with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost, to thee, hymn and chant and high thanksgiving, and unwearied praises be, honour, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory, evermore and evermore.

Homily (please be seated)

The Nicene Creed (please stand as you are able)

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

All:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

(please sit, stand, or kneel as you are able)

Leader:

As we rejoice at the birth of Jesus, our Saviour, we turn with confidence to God our Creator praying that the peace and light which Christ brings will be welcomed into the world:

We pray for the Church, that the people of God will always be a beacon to the world for those who live without hope.

(silence)

As we pray, live and give;

All: shine your everlasting light.

Leader: We pray for peace on earth, that the peace which Christ offers

will be a reality for all peoples.

(silence)

As we pray, live and give;

All: shine your everlasting light.

We pray for our own community, that our celebration of the birth of our Saviour will make us more aware of our unity in Jesus Christ.

(silence)

As we pray, live and give;

All: shine your everlasting light.

We pray for the lonely, the bereaved, the sick, and all those who are suffering in any way, that the light of Christ will shine on them.

(silence)

As we pray, live and give;

All: shine your everlasting light.

God of love, Creator of all, the trouble that covered the earth has given way to the bright dawn of your Word made flesh.

Make us a people of this light.

Make us faithful to your Word,
that we may bring your life to the waiting world.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, in the splendour of eternal light, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider: In the tender mercy of our God, the dayspring from on high has broken upon us,

giving light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death, and guiding our feet into the way of peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

The congregation is invited to remain standing for the offertory.

Sharing What We Have

Presider: We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us.

In the upside down world of the gospel,

we measure our wealth not by what we have,

but what we can give away.

Let us give away generously, in this offering,

to bless God's church, God's people, and God's creation. Amen.

We give as an expression of gratitude for all that God has done for us and because God has designed us to be givers. Instructions for offering a donation can be found on our website (or you can scan the QR Code to the right to give securely via Canada Helps); we are thankful for all your gifts as they sustain the life and work of this parish.



Offertory Hymn #123

Once in Royal David's City

Irby

Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed, where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed.
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven, who is God and Lord of all, and his shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall.

With the poor and mean and lowly lived on earth our Saviour holy.

And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love; for that Child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heaven above, and he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.

Not in that poor lowly stable, with the oxen standing by, we shall see him, but in heaven, set at God's right hand on high, when, like stars, his children crowned all in white shall gather round.

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: Generous Creator in faith and joy we celebrate the birth of your Son. Increase our

understanding and our love of the riches you have revealed in him, who is Lord now

and for ever. Amen.

Celebrating the Eucharist

(please remain standing)

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 mystery of his incarnation was made perfect man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; in him we have seen a new and radiant vision of your glory. Therefore with all the angels of heaven, we lift our voices and sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus & Benedictus #732

Proulx

Holy, holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, 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 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 those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the

glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

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

All: God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

Presider: The gifts of God, for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

(please be seated)

Agnus Dei O Lamb of God

Hunt

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.

Please follow the directions given by the sidespeople as you come forward for communion at the communion rail. If you do not wish to receive communion, please feel free to come forward and fold your hands over your chest to indicate your desire for a blessing.

After nearly three years of Covid protocol, that prevented us from using the common cup at communion, we are reintroducing wine at our Eucharistic liturgies.

It is completely optional whether or not you receive wine from the common cup. Church teaching tells us that partaking of the consecrated wine OR bread is a full and complete Eucharistic experience. You are invited to restart taking wine, but there is nothing compulsory about receiving it. If you do not wish to take from the cup, simply receive the bread and return to your seat.

Note: Intinction (dipping the bread into the chalice of wine) is not an option in the Anglican Church in the Diocese of Toronto.

Communion Hymn #148

See Amid The Winter's Snow

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See amid the winter's snow, born for us on earth below, see, the tender Lamb appears, promised from eternal years!

Refrain:

Hail, thou ever-blessed morn!
Hail, redemption's happy dawn!
Sing through all Jerusalem,
Christ is born in Bethlehem.

Lo, within a manger lies he who built the starry skies, who enthroned in height sublime sits amid the cherubim. [Refrain]

Say, ye humble shepherds, say what your joyful news today; wherefore have ye left your sheep on the lonely mountain steep? [Refrain]

"As we watched at dead of night, lo, we saw a wondrous light; angels singing 'Peace on earth' told us of the Saviour's birth." [Refrain]

Sacred infant, all divine, what a mighty love was thine, thus to come from highest bliss down to such a world as this! [Refrain]

Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Source of truth and joy, may we who have received the gift of divine life always

follow the way of your Son. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Closing Prayer & Blessing

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.

Presider: May the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the perseverance of the

magi, the obedience of Joseph and Mary, and the peace of the Christ Child be yours this Christmas; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy

Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the newborn King.

All: Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn #153

Good Christians All, Rejoice

In Dulci Jubilo

Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice! Listen now to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today; ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now. Christ is born today; Christ is born today!

Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice! Hear the news of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this; he has opened heaven's door and we are blessed for evermore!

Christ was born for this; Christ was born for this!

Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!
Now you need not fear the grave;
Jesus Christ was born to save:
come at his most gracious call
to find salvation, one and all!
Christ was born to save;
Christ was born to save!

Postlude

Christmas Flowers

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

Richard Perry Arthur and Doris Morrow Herbert Morrow Margaret and Monty Larkin Tanner Larkin Bettie Martindale Peter Roman Ramesh Kamath Jorja Gorham Ted Ritcey Donald Oke Felicia and Arthur Atkinson Paul Kavanagh Dragomir Ion Dragomir Paraschiva Zamfir Silviu-Constantin Stephen Godfrey John M. Godrey Mary Godfrey Mary Kearns

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Presider: The Reverend Canon Cheryl Palmer

> Preacher: The Reverend Ali McIntosh

> Gospeller: The Reverend Ali McIntosh

> > Director of Music: Patrick Dewell

> > > Soloist: Julia Barber

Prayers of the People: Elsa Jones

> Reader: William Jackson

Warden on Duty: Paul Kingston

Sidesperson: Andrew Harding

Livestream and Sound Technician: Christian Crawford

Announcements —



The wonder and meaning of the season is simply unfathomable: that God would choose to come among us and remain with us – stirring up a sometimes-complacent people and bringing life to all. How do we respond to this awesome event? How do we celebrate Christmas with more depth than a simple attraction to the charming story? To be true to Christmas – to be true to the Christ Child – to be like the shepherds or magi, requires us to be open to amazement, open to creativity, open to growth, development, reform – open to the new and exciting news that God is among us.

Let us therefore embrace the challenge of the Christ Child to stir things up and help us grow into his light and life. In a world where we often encounter fear, loneliness and sadness, only God's own flesh and blood can bring true peace and joy. Our very existence is therefore dependent upon the life of the Christ Child. Thus, in awe, we retell the story over and over, so that the joy and wonder of God's perfect gift may forever captivate our lives. And may God grant us the wisdom and courage to carry the good news of Christmas to all whom we encounter.

Ablessed Christmas and happy New Year to you!

FROM THE STAFF OF CHRIST CHURCH

LET'S CONTINUE REJOICING!

NEXT SUNDAY - JANUARY 1
We continue the Christmas joy as we celebrate The Epiphany of our Lord at 8am and 10am.







JANUARY 22, 2023
12-2 P.M. (RIGHT AFTER 10:30 SERVICE)
LIGHT SNACKS
AND SOME BOARD GAMES.



Midweek Eucharist

at Christ Church Deer Park

Our midweek Eucharist is undergoing a change. Starting January 11th our regular Wednesday morning eucharist will be moving from 7:30 AM with breakfast to 11:00 AM followed by lunch. This is a time when people who are at home may be able to join us. So please come out and bring a friend for Eucharist and lunch on Wednesday, January 11th at 11:00 AM.

If you cannot join us on the 11th, please attend any Wednesday at 11:00 AM. We will be here each week, so consider becoming a regular attendee. The Wednesday crowd is a lovely group of people!

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

Wednesday, December 28 no service

Sunday, January 1 8:00am Holy Eucharist *In person*

10:00 am Holy Eucharist In person & Livestreamed



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