

Christ Church Deer Park

November 26, 2023
The Reign of Christ
Holy Eucharist
at 10:30 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.

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Supipi Weerasooriya, Editorial Team

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn #378 v. 1, 2, 4

(please stand as you are able)

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Diademata

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne:
hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
rich wounds yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

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.

Presider: There is one body and one Spirit,
All: There is one hope in God's call to us;
Presider: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
All: One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: Destitute king, one with the hungry, the naked, and the scorned: may our faith be proved not in dogma and piety but in serving you in the last and the least; through Jesus Christ, the stranger's Lord.

All: Amen.

Presider: Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes to us in the reading of Holy Scripture.

All: Our hearts and minds are open.

Listening to God

(please be seated)

Reader: A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. *Ephesians 1:15-23*

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm #100

Wedd

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: the Lord himself is God;
He himself has made us, and we are his;
We are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gate with thanksgiving;
Go into his courts with praise;
Give thanks to him and call upon his name.
For the Lord is good;
His mercy is everlasting;
And his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Gospel Acclamation #711

(please stand as you are able)

Alleluia

Black, Wedd

Cantor: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Cantor: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! *Mark 11:9, 10*

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Holy Gospel

(please remain standing)

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Matthew 25:31-46

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

(please be seated)

Musical Interlude

The Celebration of Baptism

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

Priest: The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsors: I present Supipi Weerasooriya to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Priest: Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate: I do.

The priest asks the following questions of the candidate.

Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Answer: I do.

The congregation is invited to stand, and the priest addresses them.

Priest: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Supipi in her life in Christ?

People: We will.

Prayers for the Candidate

Priest: Let us now pray for Supipi who is to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Leader: Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Send her into this world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest: We give you thanks, almighty God and Father, for by the gift of water you nourish and sustain all living things.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Priest: We give you thanks that through the waters of the Red Sea, you led your people out of slavery to freedom in a promised land.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Priest: We give you thanks for sending your Son Jesus. For us he was baptized by John in the river Jordan. For us he was anointed as Christ by your Holy Spirit. For us he suffered the baptism of his own death and resurrection, setting us free from the bondage of sin and death, and opening to us the joy and freedom of everlasting life.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Priest: We give you thanks for your Holy Spirit who teaches us and leads us into all truth, filling us with his gifts so that we might proclaim the gospel to all nations and serve you as a royal priesthood.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Priest: We give you thanks for you have called Supipi to new life through the waters of baptism. Now sanctify this water, that your servants who are washed in it may be made one with Christ in his death and resurrection, to be cleansed and delivered from all sin. Anoint them with your Holy Spirit and bring them to new birth in the family of your Church, that they may become inheritors of your glorious kingdom.

We give you praise and honour and worship through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People: Blessed are you, our strength and song, and our salvation.

Priest: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Priest: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Priest: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Priest: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Priest: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Priest: Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Priest: Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Priest: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Priest: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

Priest: Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation and respect, sustain, and renew the life of the earth?

People: I will, with God's help.

The Baptism

Priest: Supipi, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Priest: I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Giving of the Light

Priest: Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from death to life.

People: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Priest: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: 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 by 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.

Sharing What We Have

We give as an expression of gratitude for all that God has done for us
and because God has designed us to be givers.

Ways to Give Financially

- Through automatic monthly credit card or pre-authorized debit donations
please contact bookkeeper@christchurchdeerpark.org if you are interested in setting up a monthly offering
- Cash or cheque made out to *Christ Church Deer Park*
- Debit/credit via the mobile credit machine at the back of the church
- E-transfer to donations@christchurchdeerpark.org
- Online via Canada Helps (scan the QR code to the right to be brought to the website)



We are thankful for all your gifts as they sustain the life and work of this parish.

Offertory Hymn #381 v. 1, 2, 4, 5

Praise, My Soul

Praise, My Soul

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing.
Alleluia, alleluia, praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour
to our forebears in distress;
praise him, still the same forever,
slow to chide and swift to bless;
alleluia, alleluia, glorious in his faithfulness.

Frail as summer's flower we flourish;
blows the wind and it is gone;
but, while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on:
alleluia, alleluia, praise the high eternal one.

Angels help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face;
sun and moon bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia, praise with us the God of grace.

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: Eternal God, by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day, and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: 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. You exalted him as Lord of all creation that he might present to you an eternal and universal kingdom: a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love, and peace. Therefore at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow as heaven and earth proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus & Benedictus

Hurd

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

**Blessed is the one 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 children; 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.

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: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst."

**All: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him!**

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

All: Thanks be to God.

(please be seated)

Agnus Dei O Lamb of God

Hurd

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

All are welcome to receive communion with us

As the sidespeople pass your pew, please line up in the centre aisle.

- **To receive a blessing**, as you reach the priest with the bread, cross your arms over your chest. Return to your seat after receiving the blessing.
- **To receive the bread**, hold your hands in front of you, palms up.
- **To receive the wine from the cup**, take the bottom of the cup and the base and guide it to your mouth.
- **If you prefer to take only the bread**, you may indicate this to the cup bearer by crossing your arms over your chest, or simply walking past them.

Communion Anthem

Rejoice in the Lord Always

Anonymous

Rejoice in the Lord always,
and again I say, rejoice.

Let your softness be known unto all men:
the Lord is at hand.
Be careful for nothing:
but in all your prayer and supplication,
let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks.
And the peace of God,
which passeth all understanding,
shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesu. Amen.

Communion Hymn # 649 v. 1, 2, 3, 4

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Trentham

Breathe on me, breath of God;
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until my will is one with thine
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God:
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Gracious God, in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ. May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light, and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord for ever and ever.

All: 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: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge of 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 among you and remain with you always.

Announcements

Closing Hymn #379 v. 1, 2, 3, 5

Rejoice, the Lord is King

Darwall

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice: rejoice; again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Saviour reigns, the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice: rejoice; again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice: rejoice; again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope; Jesus, the judge, shall come
and take his servants up to their eternal home.
We soon shall hear the archangel's voice; the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Please join us upstairs in Elliott Hall for Coffee Hour.

Memorial Flowers

The flowers in the church are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Joan Carr and Ann Kear.

Presider:
The Venerable Cheryl Palmer

Warden on Duty:
Stephen Clark

Preacher:
The Reverend Ali McIntosh

Sidesperson:
Ted White

Gospeller:
The Reverend Cathy Gibbs

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Edward Cockerton

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James Finnerty

Reader:
Roger Knox

Vergers:
Rikk Scapillato

Intercessor:
Winnie Tang

Announcements

- 1. THANK YOU** to the volunteer team who ran a festive and wonderful Christmas Bake Sale & Café yesterday! Your hours of work and dedication are very appreciated by our parish!
- 2. GUEST PREACHER:** Dr. Sylvia Keesmaat, biblical scholar, activist, and farmer, will be our guest preacher on Sunday, December 3rd, which is the First Sunday of Advent. Please join us at the 9:15 & 10:30 services as we enter this holy season of preparation and anticipation.
- 3. UPCOMING JAZZ VESPERS:** In December we will have *two* Jazz Vespers services: December 3rd (*A Charlie Brown Christmas*) and December 17th (Ellington's *Nutcracker*, performed by the Brian Barlow Big Band.) Join us on either (or both!) Sundays at 4:30pm and get into the festive spirit!
- 4. SATURDAY COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** is in need of winter socks, sweaters, hoodies, winter coats, shoes, boots, slippers, gloves, hats, scarves for our guests. We are also looking for toiletries (soap, body wash, lip care, lotion, shampoo). Please leave in the bins at the Bell tower door or Yonge street door. Our guests are very appreciative – thank you!
- 5. CONGREGATIONAL CARE DRIVERS NEEDED:** We are looking for a few more “drivers” we can add to our list, who upon occasion, can assist with providing a ride to church for fellow parishioners. This does not have to be an every week commitment, as we currently have a “pool” of drivers, but it would be very helpful having additional help when the need arises. Please contact Carl Wehniainen at communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org or 647-808-5631.
- 6. CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL FLOWERS & GREENERY:** If you would like to contribute towards the purchasing of poinsettias and greenery for our Christmas Services in memory of a loved one, please designate ‘Christmas flowers’ on your envelope and include with your gift the name(s) you’d like printed in the Christmas bulletins. Donations for flowers & greenery will be accepted until December 17th. You may include a donation for flowers & greenery with your normal offering; simply indicate the amount that is to go towards Christmas flowers. Thank you!
- 7. TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION WORKING GROUP:** On October 24, 2023 the Federal Court approved a \$23 billion settlement agreement for First Nations children and families affected by inequitable funding for on-reserve child and family services. After a complaint was first filed in 2007, the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal ruled in 2019 that the federal government was denying on-reserve First Nations children the same level of care as other children. Among other issues, such as not accounting for inflation, the CHRT noted that the funding structure

meant agencies could not properly support prevention or try to keep children with their families if possible. According to recent Canadian data, 53.8% of children in foster care are Indigenous, even though they represent only 7.7% of the total children in Canada.

8. **CLIMATE ACTION GROUP:** \$387 billion: That's how much money the United Nations estimates developing countries will need every year this decade to adapt to increasingly destructive storms, fires and other consequences of climate change--\$100 billion more than previously estimated.
9. **CAROL SING AT YORKMINSTER PARK:** The Annual City Carol Sing will be on Saturday, December 2nd at 2pm at Yorkminster Park Baptist Church.
10. **HOPE IS A VERB (ADVENT STUDY):** Advent is the time we set aside to prepare ourselves for the birth of Jesus and it is always easier to do this in community. So please join us as we actively hope for change and newness in our lives anticipating the birth of our redeemer. *Dates:* December 5, 12, 19 *Time:* 7-8pm *Place:* Zoom *Registration:* Email Cathy (cgibbs@christchurchdeerpark.org) to be put on the list.



Advent & Christmas



December 3 - The First Sunday of Advent

With guest preacher Dr. Sylvia Keesmaat

8:00am Holy Eucharist (*Book of Common Prayer*)

9:15am Contemporary Worship

10:30am Holy Eucharist

4:30pm Jazz Vespers (*A Charlie Brown Christmas*)

December 10 - The Second Sunday of Advent

8:00am Holy Eucharist (*Book of Common Prayer*)

9:15am Contemporary Worship

10:30am Advent Lessons & Carols

December 17 - The Third Sunday of Advent

8:00am Holy Eucharist (*Book of Common Prayer*)

9:15am Contemporary Worship

10:30am Holy Eucharist

4:30pm Jazz Vespers (*Duke Ellington's Nutcracker*)

December 24 - The Fourth Sunday of Advent & Christmas Eve



9:00am Holy Eucharist (Advent IV)

4:00pm Family Service *with children's story*

We'll have one morning service for Advent IV, and then our usual three Christmas Eve services.

7:00pm Casual, Contemporary Service

9:00pm Traditional Holy Eucharist

December 25 - Christmas Day

9:00am Traditional Holy Eucharist

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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

Wednesday, November 29

11:00am Holy Eucharist
In person, followed by lunch

Saturday, December 2

8-9am Community Breakfast

Sunday, December 3

8:00am Holy Eucharist
In person

9:15am Holy Eucharist
& Sunday School
In person

10:30am Holy Eucharist
In person & Livestreamed

4:30pm Jazz Vespers
In person



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