

# Christ Church Deer Park

December 25, 2023

Christmas Day

Holy Eucharist

at 9:00 am



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**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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*Prayer Circle* – Jan D'Angelo, Coordinator

*Small Groups* – The Rev. Cathy Gibbs

*9:15am Coffee Hour* – Zara Arvini, Coordinator

*10:30 Coffee Hour* – Sandra Geddes, Coordinator

*Choir* – Edward Cockerton, Interim Director

*Chancel Guild* – Anne Larkin, Lead

*Flower Guild* – Pat Butler, Coordinator

*Readers & Intercessors* – The Rev. Ali McIntosh

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*Rummage Re-Imagined* – Jayne Miles Simpson, Lead

*Spiritus* – Emily Chatten, Melissa Walter &

*Christmas Sale* – Jayne Miles Simpson, Lead

Supipi Weerasooriya, Editorial Team

**Prelude** Noel sur les flutes

*Daquin*

**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.**

Glory, in the Highest Glory

*Psalm 42*

Glory, in the highest glory,  
peace to all, in all their days.  
Worship, thanks, and praise unceasing  
to the Source of all we raise:  
reigning in the sapphire height,  
hidden from our mortal sight,  
now receive our adoration,  
as we make our supplication.

Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer,  
Lamb of God, for sinners given,  
Word eternal, born of Mary,  
Word made flesh, the face of heaven:  
holy one, to you we pray,  
hear us in the realms of day,  
with the Spirit there united,  
and the Godhead high exalted.

### **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.**

Sing to the Lord new songs, proclaim  
the marvels God has done.  
With his right hand and holy arm,  
the triumph has been won.

The victory the Lord has won  
he has this day made known;  
to all the world his righteousness  
has openly been shown.

The Lord recalls for Israel  
his love and faithfulness;  
to all the earth the victory  
has been made manifest.

Shout now with joy to God the Lord;  
in praise lift up your voice;  
all nations of the world as one,  
sing to God and rejoice.

**Gospel Acclamation #153 v. 1-2**

*(please stand as you are able)*

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.

## 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 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.**

## Gospel Acclamation #153 v. 3

*(please stand as you are able)*

Good Christians All, Rejoice

*In Dulci Jubilo*

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!

## 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)*

**All: Jesus, Lord of Love:  
hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for peace on earth, that the peace which Christ offers will be a reality for all peoples.

*(silence)*

**All: Jesus, Lord of Love:  
hear our prayer.**

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)*

**All:** Jesus, Lord of Love:  
**hear our prayer.**

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)*

**All:** Jesus, Lord of Love:  
**hear our prayer.**

God of love, Creator of all,  
the trouble that covers 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 despair 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.

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## 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](mailto: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
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- 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.

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## Offertory Hymn #123

One 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.

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

*Babin*

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

*Blessed is he who comes in the name,  
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** Missa Pacem

*Babin*

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.

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## 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.
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**Communion Hymn #122 v. 1-4**

In the Bleak Midwinter

*Cranham*

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan,  
earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;  
snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,  
in the bleak midwinter, long ago.

Our God, heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain;  
heaven and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign:  
in the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed  
the Lord God almighty, Jesus Christ.

Angels and archangels may have gathered there,  
cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;  
but his mother only, in her maiden bliss,  
worshipped the beloved with a kiss.

What can I give him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;  
if I were a wise man, I would do my part;  
yet what I can, I give him -- give my heart.

**Communion Motet**

Unto Us A Boy Is Born

*Shaw*

Unto us a boy is born!  
King of all creation,  
came he to a world forlorn,  
the Lord of every nation,  
the Lord of every nation.

Cradled in a stall was he  
with sleepy cows and asses;  
but the very beasts could see  
that he all men surpasses.

Herod then with fear was filled:  
'A prince' he said 'in Jewry!'  
All the little boys he killed  
at Bethlehem in his fury.

Now may Mary's Son,  
who came so long ago to love us,  
lead us all with hearts aflame  
unto the joys above us.

Omega and Alpha he!  
Let the organ thunder  
while the choir with peals of glee  
doth render the air asunder.

### **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**

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Closing Hymn #154 v. 1, 2, 4**

Joy to the World

*Antioch*

Joy to the world! The Lord is come:  
let earth receive the King;  
let every heart prepare him room,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world! The Saviour reigns:  
let us glad songs employ,  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love.

**Postlude** Noel Grand Jeu et Duo

*Daquin*

## ***Christmas Flowers***

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

Richard Perry  
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Preacher:  
The Reverend Ali McIntosh

Gospeller:  
The Reverend Cathy Gibbs

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Reader:  
Michael Overbury

Warden on Duty:  
Paul Kingston

Flower Arrangement:  
Mary van Straubenzee  
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Lucia Nebesney

Livestream and Sound Technician:  
Christian Crawford

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## *Dear Friends,*

It is an awesome love in the heart of God that inspired Christmas.

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.

*A blessed Christmas and happy New Year to you!*

**FROM THE STAFF OF CHRIST CHURCH**

# Announcements

- 1. PASTORAL CALLS:** Christmas is a season of joy for many, but it can also be a season of grief, difficulty, and hardship. At these difficult moments, someone may benefit from a call or visit from one of our clergy. If you or anyone you know might be in need, please contact our congregational care team at [communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org](mailto:communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org).
- 2. OFFICE HOURS THE WEEK BETWEEN CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS:** The church office will be open on Wednesday, December 27 and Friday, December 29 between 9am-2pm.
- 3. ANNOUNCING OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** We are delighted to announce that Stefani Bedin has been appointed as our new Director of Music. Stefani is currently pursuing her Doctor of Musical Arts in Performance at the University of Toronto, majoring in organ performance. She has extensive experience as an organist, pianist, and choral conductor, and she is eager to build on CCDP's musical traditions. Stefani's first Sunday with us will be January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024. In the meantime, Stefani has invited everyone to an organ recital she is performing on Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at St. Basil's Church (50 St. Joseph Street). The concert will feature Charles-Marie Widor's monumental "Symphonie Romane" as well as music of J.S Bach, Nadia Boulanger and Maurice Duruflé. Admission is free and all are welcome.



## 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

**Monday, December 25**

9:00am Holy Eucharist  
*In person & Livestreamed*

**Wednesday, December 27**

*no 11:00am service*

**Saturday, December 30**

8-9am Community Breakfast

**Sunday, December 31**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
*In person*

9:15am Holy Eucharist  
& Sunday School  
*In person*

10:30am Holy Eucharist  
*In person & Livestreamed*



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