

Christ Church Deer Park

February 4, 2024
The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
Holy Eucharist
at 10:30 am



The Season after Epiphany

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 Fantasia in E-flat major, P. 127

J. Pachelbel

Welcome

Opening Hymn #384 v. 1-3, 6

(please stand as you are able)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Lobe Den Herren

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
All ye who hear, brothers and sisters draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:
hast thou not seen how thy entreaties have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:
ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
if with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again:
gladly for aye we adore him.

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.

Gloria



All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from hea - ven, and
O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther gave us, who
You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal - va - tion, and
God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship
for the world was sac - ri - ficed up - on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at
on - ly you are God's true Son, who was be - fore cre - a - tion. You, on - ly, Christ, as
you, we raise for your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.
God's right hand and we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.
Lord we own and, with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

Words: Nikolaus Decius, tr. F.B. Tucker, rev.; para. of *Gloria in excelsis*
Tune: Allein Gott in der Höh, melody att. Nikolaus Decius

The Collect of the Day

Presider: Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, so that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and 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 Book of Isaiah.

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength,

mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40:21-31

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 147

G. Black

Refrain:



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Cantor: Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God!
how pleasant it is to honour him with praise!
The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem;
he gathers the exiles of Israel. *Refrain*

Cantor: He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.
He counts the number of the stars
and calls them all by their names. *Refrain*

Cantor: Great is our Lord and mighty in power;
there is no limit to his wisdom.
The Lord lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground.
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;
make music to our God upon the harp. *Refrain*

Cantor: He covers the heavens with clouds
and prepares rain for the earth;
He makes grass to grow upon the mountains
and green plants to serve mankind. *Refrain*

Cantor: He provides food for flocks and herds
and for the young ravens when they cry.
He is not impressed by the might of a horse,
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man.
But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who await his gracious favour. *Refrain*

Gospel Acclamation #711

(please stand as you are able)

Alleluia

Murray / Black

Cantor: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor: "He took our infirmities and bore our diseases."

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 Mark.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told Jesus about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Mark 1:29-39

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

(please be seated)

The Apostles' Creed

(please stand as you are able)

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

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

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

Confession and Absolution

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

Presider: Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
he welcomes sinners
and invites them to his table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept

Presider: Most merciful God,

**All: we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

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 #293

Your Hands, O Lord, In Days of Old

St. Michael's

Your hands, O Lord, in days of old
were strong to heal and save;
they triumphed over pain and death,
o'er darkness and the grave.
To you they went, the blind, the mute,
the palsied and the lame,
the leper set apart and shunned,
the sick and those in shame.

And then your touch brought life and health,
gave speech and strength and sight;
and youth renewed, with health restored,
claimed you, the Lord of light.
And so, O Lord, be near to bless,
almighty now as then,
in every street, in every home,
in every troubled friend.

O be our mighty healer still,
O Lord of life and death;
restore and strengthen, soothe and bless
with your almighty breath.
On hands that work and eyes that see,
your healing wisdom pour,
that whole and sick and weak and strong
may praise you evermore.

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: God of compassion and forgiveness, receive our offering this day, and make us one with him who is our peace, Jesus Christ our Saviour.

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.

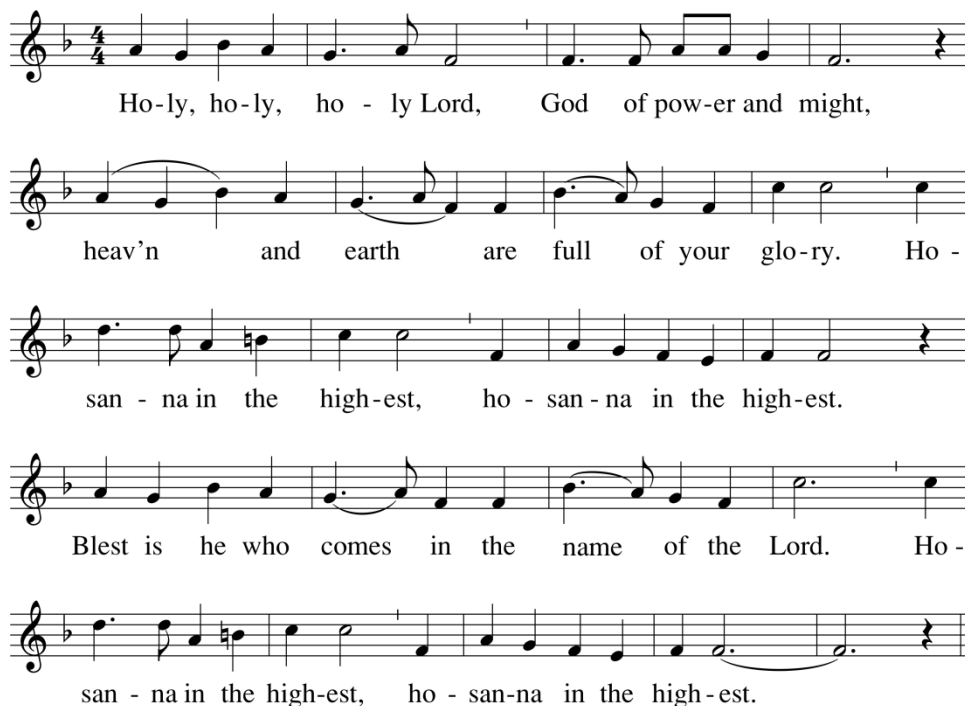
Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you are the source of light and life for all your creation, and you made us in your own image, and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus & Benedictus #732

R. Proulx



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high-est.
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high-est, ho - san-na in the high-est.

Music: *A Community Mass*, Richard Proulx, © 1971, 1977, GIA Publications, Inc.

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;

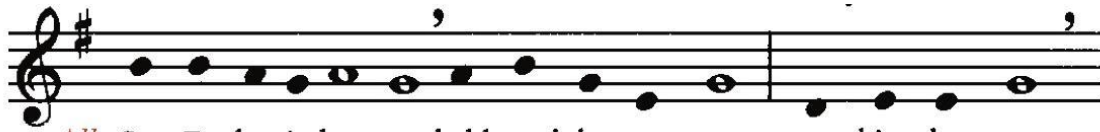
by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

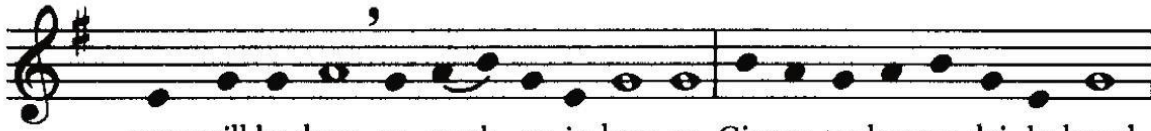
The Lord's Prayer

Robinson

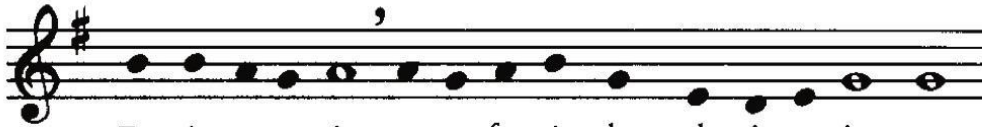
All:



All Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,



your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread,



For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us.



Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom,



the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

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 Lamb of God

R. Proulx



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the



world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you



take a-way 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.
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Communion Motet

God be in my Head

Rutter

God be in my head
And in my understanding;
God be in mine eyes
And in my looking;
God be in my mouth
And in my speaking;
God be in mine heart
And in my thinking;
God be at mine end
And in my departing.

Communion Hymn #65

Here, Lord, We Take the Broken Bread

St. Columba

Here, Lord, we take the broken bread and drink the wine, believing
that by thy life our souls are fed, thy parting gifts receiving.

As thou hast given, so we would give ourselves for others' healing;
as thou hast lived, so we would live, the Father's love revealing.

Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Eternal God, in you we find peace beyond all telling. May we who share in this heavenly banquet be instruments of your peace on earth, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

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.

Blessing

Presider: And may God our Creator, Jesus our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Sustainer, bless you and keep you all of your days.

All: Amen.

Announcements

Closing Hymn #627

The Voice of God Goes Out

Sheldonian

The voice of God goes out through all the world,
and glory speaks across the universe.

The great King's herald cries from star to star:
With pow'r, with justice, Christ will walk his way.

The Lord has said: "Receive my messenger,
My promise to the world, my pledge made flesh,
A lamp to every nation, light from Light":
With pow'r, with justice, Christ will walk his way.

The broken reed he will not trample down,
Nor set his heel upon the dying flame,
He binds the wounds, and health is in his hand:
With pow'r, with justice, Christ will walk his way.

Anointed with the Spirit and with power,
He comes to crown with comfort all the weak,
To show the face of justice to the poor:
With pow'r, with justice, Christ will walk his way.

His touch will bless the eyes that darkness held;
The lame shall run, the halting tongue shall sing,
And pris'ners laugh in light and liberty:
With pow'r, with justice, Christ will walk his way.

Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Toccata in F major, P. 463

J. Pachelbel

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 Betty and Roy Wilson, Eleanor Harbert, and Mary Harbert.

Presider:
The Reverend Ali McIntosh

Reader:
Bianca Matthews

Preacher:
The Venerable Cheryl Palmer

Intercessor:
Elsa Jones

Gospeller:
The Reverend Cathy Gibbs

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Livestream Production Manager:
Liam McIvor

— Announcements —

1. **FUNERAL FOR ANNE LARKIN:** The funeral for Anne will be on Friday, February 16th at 2:30pm at Christ Church Deer Park.
2. **UPDATE - SEARCH FOR A NEW INCUMBENT:** As a result of Cheryl's announcement that she will be retiring as of the end of April, this is an update on next steps.

First, your Wardens want to assure you that they fully understand the importance of finding a successor to Cheryl as soon as possible and have already begun to do so. The process is set forth in Canon 10 of the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Toronto, Anglican Church of Canada. As a first step, the Wardens met with our Bishop this past week and have his permission to establish a Parish Selection Committee which, under the Canon, must be composed of the Rector's Warden (Stephen Clark) and the People's Warden (Su Laine Varkey) together with up to six other members of our Parish.

As a first step, we are inviting any member of the Parish with an interest in serving on the Parish Selection Committee to contact one of the Wardens. Our goal is to constitute this Parish Selection Committee as soon as possible as its composition must be approved at a Vestry Meeting and, as our upcoming Annual Vestry meeting is on Sunday February 25, 2024, that would be an ideal opportunity for members of the Parish to approve the

composition of the Parish Selection Committee. This would mean that we must circulate the names of those being nominated before that meeting.

The Parish Selection Committee will be responsible for preparing a Parish Profile which is a written document that tells the story of Christ Church Deer Park and describes the characteristics of the type of new Incumbent we hope to attract. Once that Parish Profile has been published and the role advertised, the Parish Selection Committee will interview prospective candidates and, in collaboration with our Bishop, choose a new Incumbent.

Stephen Clark can be reached at stephen.clark@sympatico.ca Su Laine Varkey can be reached at sulainevarkey@me.com

Churchwardens of Christ Church Deer Park

Stephen Clark, Su Laine Varkey, Katherine MacDonald and Paul Kingston

February 4, 2024

3. PASTORAL CALLS: An integral part of Christian community is to support one another through times of joy and celebration and also times of grief and confusion. If you or someone you know may benefit from a call or visit from one of our clergy, please contact our congregational care team at communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org.

4. SHROVE TUESDAY & ASH WEDNESDAY

- a. Join us for our annual pancake supper as we feast before the fast of Lent! Tuesday, February 13th at 6pm in Elliott Hall (\$5/person at the door). Invite your friends and neighbours! We are also looking for volunteers to help with this event: if you can bring a salad for the dinner, or if you can take on the ordering of groceries, please reach out to Jayne.
- b. On Wednesday, February 14th we begin Lent with Ash Wednesday. Please join us for either our 11am or 7pm service. We will also be doing “ashes-to-go” at the Yonge Street doors from 7am-8am.

5. FINANCIAL FORUM & VESTRY

- a. Our Financial Forum will be Sunday, February 18th at 12:30pm on Zoom
- b. Our Vestry Meeting will be Sunday, February 25th at 12:30pm in person in Elliott Hall.

6. JAZZ VESPERS: Join us for worship and great jazz music on Sunday, February 11th at 4:30pm!

7. RUMMAGE SALE INTAKE! Our next Rummage Sale is approaching (April 20!), and we have cleaned our space in preparation for our Spring Clothing and Accessories Sale intake collection. For many newcomers and young neighbourhood dwellers, our sale is a great resource when creating their new homes. We plan to include GENTLY used household linens

at all of our sales. Please check your closets, and think of us as you purge. Drop off clothes and linens to the Atrium (the glass doors halfway down the building on Heath Street) between 11 and 2pm on the Saturdays of February 3, 10, 17 and 24th, as well as March 16 and 23rd. We are always looking for fellow workers, if you care to join us pre sale, or on our sale day. We laugh, we work, and we make money for the Church along the way. Students looking to increase Community Service hours are also welcome. ~The ReImagine Team: Jayne, Lucia, Mary and Sharon

8. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN LENT

- a. LENTEN RETREAT: ENCOUNTERS PART II: Our Lenten retreat day will continue with the work of Amy Jill Levine, looking at those people who were at the crucifixion of Jesus. We will explore how their experience at the cross relates to our own experience as we move towards Easter. No previous experience is necessary. Everyone is welcome.

Date: Saturday March 9

Time: 9:30am-3:00pm

Place: Christ Church Deer Park

Cost: \$25 (includes snacks and lunch)

Bring: a pen and journal

To Register: email Cathy (cgibbs@christchurchdeerpark.org)

- b. WEEKLY LENTEN STUDY: Jesus is...

- a) the Messiah
- b) our Redeemer
- c) the Great Counsellor
- d) a farmer
- e) all of the above

Jesus was indeed a farmer. Join us for our Tuesday evening Lenten study, exploring the ways in which Jesus used the importance of God's earthly creation to teach the Good News of the resurrection and how we can continue with Jesus' work while caring for this gift.

Dates: February 20, March 5, 12, 19 (There is no class February 27)

Place: Christ Church Deer Park (Arthur Smith Room)

Time: gather together at 6:30pm (bring your own supper!); class 7:00-8:00pm

To Register: email Cathy (cgibbs@christchurchdeerpark.org)

9. CHERYL'S RETIREMENT

- a. The PARTY: We of course cannot have Cheryl retire without a party! So please *save the date* for Saturday, April 27th. We are planning a coffeehouse/cabaret style

retirement party to celebrate Cheryl's six-and-a-half years of ministry with us and many years of ministry in our Diocese. We are looking for people to help make this party happen (hospitality, showing off your skills in the cabaret, etc.). If you would like to help us throw a party, please reach out to Su at sulainearkey@me.com

- b. The SERVICE: Cheryl's last Sunday at CCDP will be April 28th. On that day, we will have *only one* service, which will be at 10am. Please join us!

10. TRUTH & RECONCILIATION WORKING GROUP: On January 18th, almost 25 years after Nunavut was created, the federal and Nunavut governments officially signed an agreement to turn over land and resource management to Nunavut. This marks the largest land transfer in Canada's history. The agreement is part of a long process of returning rights and decisions to the people of Nunavut, which was initially created as a self-governing Inuit territory. Right now, the government of Canada makes all the final decisions for the development of minerals, oil, and gas on Nunavut's public land. Beginning April 1st, the agreement will go into effect and the process of transferring those responsibilities will begin.

11. MEMORIAL FLOWERS: To beautify our church's services, we invite donations of flowers to honour loved ones. There is a committee standing by to purchase and arrange the flowers on the date of your choice. Please contact Pat Butler, Memorial Flowers Coordinator, to select the date and name the person(s) you are remembering. Reach Pat at pat.butler@bell.net or 416-573-1415. You will receive a tax receipt and a photo of the arrangement. Also, to anyone who may wish to join the Flower Guild, please contact Nina Overbury.

12. MEALS ON WHEELS: Are you tired of preparing your meals each day? Are you a senior or a housebound individual having difficulty shopping for food? If so, call Yorkminster Park Meals on Wheels at 416-482-0549. We have volunteers who can deliver hot meals or frozen meals (chosen by you from an extensive menu) to your home at reasonable prices.

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, February 7

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

Saturday, February 10

No Community Breakfast

Sunday, February 11

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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