

Christ Church Deer Park

December 29, 2024
The First Sunday after Christmas
Holy Eucharist
at 10:30 am



The First Sunday after

Christmas

It came upon the midnight clear,
that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth,
to touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, to all good will
from heaven's most gracious king!"
The world in solemn stillness lay,
to hear the angels sing.



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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Note about music for today: Many thanks to each of the choir members who made our Advent and Christmas services so special! Your dedication is much appreciated. The volunteer choir is taking a well-deserved break this week and will be back on January 5th.

Preludes Quem Pastores "He Whom the Shepherds Praised" H. Willan
Cradle Song "Away in a Manger" M. Archer

Welcome & Gathering *(please note all hymn numbers are from Common Praise, the blue hymnal)*

Processional Hymn (#148) *(please stand as you are able)*

See Amid the Winter's Snow

SEE AMID THE WINTER'S SNOW

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 holy 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*

Text: Edward Caswall
Music: John Goss

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 #136

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

WINCHESTER OLD

While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
all seated on the ground,
the angel of the Lord came down
and glory shone around.

"Fear not," said he, for mighty dread
had seized their troubled mind;
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring
to you and humankind.

"To you, in David's town, this day
is born of David's line
a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord;
and this shall be the sign:

"the heavenly babe you there shall find
to human view displayed,
all meanly wrapped in swaddling bands,
and in a manger laid."

Thus spake the seraph; and forthwith
appeared a shining throng
of angels praising God, who thus
addressed their joyful song:

"All glory be to God on high
and on earth be peace;
good will henceforth from heaven to me
begin and never cease."

Text: Luke 2.8-14 paraphrase; Music: *Whole Book of Psalms*, 1582

The Collect of the Day

Presider: God whose Word became flesh, breathe a new song of joy and praise into the world, so that we may bear the good news of your salvation and proclaim your promise of peace to the ends of the earth; through Christ the Word.

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 – The Lesson

(please be seated)

Reader: A reading from the Letter to the Colossians.

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Colossians 3:12-17

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 148

G. Black (refrain based on *God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen*)

The refrain is first sung by the cantor, then by all.

Refrain: 
Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal-le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

Cantor: Hallelujah!
Praise God from the heavens;
sing praise in the heights.
Sing praise, all angels,
sing praise, all you heavenly host.
Sing praise, sun and moon;
sing praise, all you shining stars.
Sing praise, heaven of heavens,
and you waters above the heavens. *Refrain*

Let them praise your name, O God;
for you commanded, and they were created.
You made them stand fast for ever and ever;
you gave them a law which shall not pass away. *Refrain*

O praise God from the earth,
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
Fire and hail, snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, doing God's will.
Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars:
Wild beasts and all cattle,
creeping things and flying birds;
Rulers of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all sovereigns of the world;
Young men and women,
old and young together. *Refrain*

Let them praise your name, O God,
for your name only is exalted,
your splendour is over earth and heaven.
You have raised up strength for your people
and praise for all your loyal servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near you.
Hallelujah! *Refrain*

Gospel Acclamation

(please stand as you are able)

Alleluia – Refrain based on the *Sussex Carol*

The refrain is first sung by the cantor, then by all.

Refrain:

Homily

“In the Bleak Midwinter” #122

Text: Christina Rossetti; Music: Gustav Holst

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.

Comment

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.

Comment

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.

Comment

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.

Music for Reflection

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.

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. **Amen.**

The Peace

(please remain standing)

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

Priest: Friends, 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: *please see warden on duty*
- 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 (#140 v. 1, 2, 3, 5)

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

CAROL

It came upon the midnight clear,
that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth,
to touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, to all good will
from heaven's most gracious king!"

The world in solemn stillness lay,
to hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come
with peaceful wings unfurled,
and still their heavenly music floats
o'er all the weary world;
above its sad and lowly plains
they bend on hovering wing,
and ever o'er its Babel sounds
the blessed angels sing.

Yet with the woes of sin and strife
the world has suffered long;
beneath the angel-strain have rolled
two thousand years of wrong;
and we amid our wars hear not
the words of peace they bring;
O listen now, and still your strife
to hear the angels sing.

For lo, the days are hastening on,
by prophets seen of old,
when with the ever-circling years
shall come the time foretold:
when the new heaven and earth shall own
the Prince of Peace their King,
and the whole world send back the song
which now the angels sing.

Text: Edmund Sears
Music: Richard Willis

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: God of light, in the birth of your Son we see your glory. May we who share in this mystery grow daily in your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Celebrating the Eucharist

(please remain standing)

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: May God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

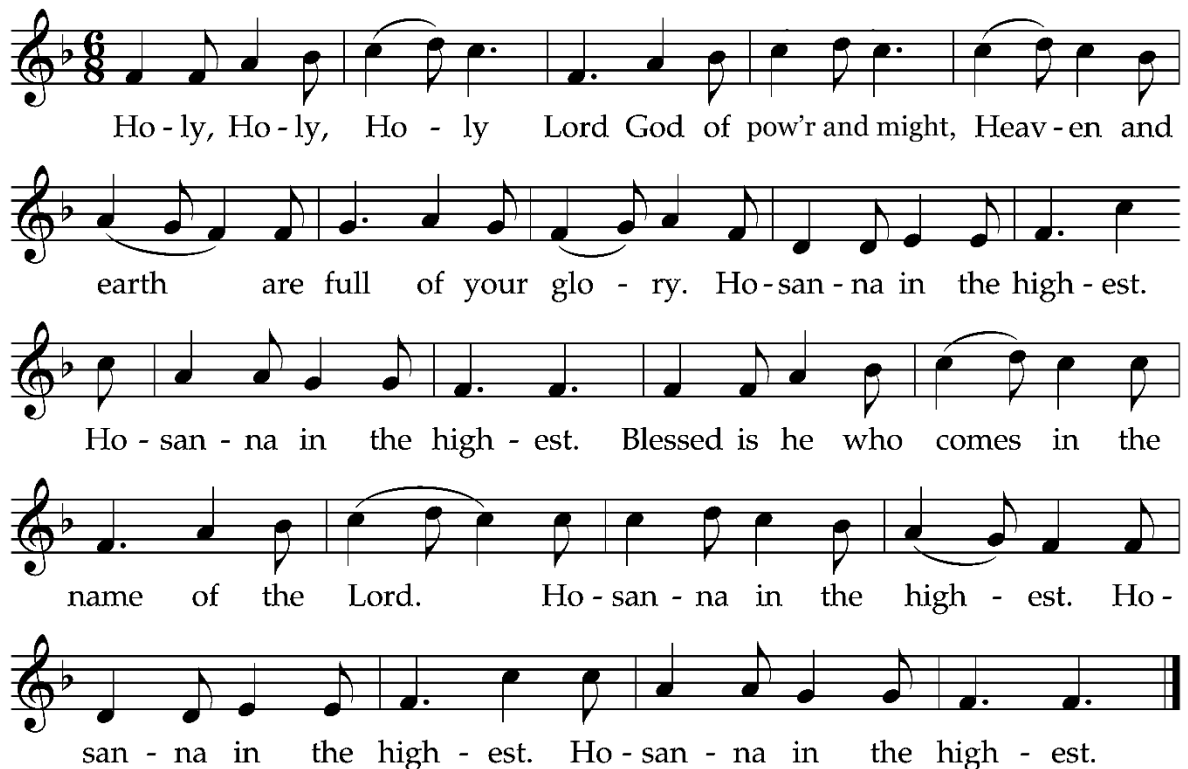
Presider: Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

All: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Presider: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh, and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world, that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus & Benedictus Mass of Comfort and Joy

based on IN DULCI JUBILO



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might, Heav - en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

IN DULCI JUBILO
Arr. by Kevin Keil © 2016, WLP

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: 

The Lord's Prayer

John Merbecke

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

All:



Our_ Fa-ther, who art in heav-en, hal-low-ed be thy name, thy king-dom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heav-en. Give us this day our dai-ly bread.
And for-give us our tres-pass-es, as we for-give them that tres-pass a-gainst us.
And lead us not in - to temp-ta-tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.
For thine is the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry, for-ev - er and ev-er. A - men.

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.**

Agnus Dei *Missa Dixit Maria*

(please be seated)
Hans Leo Hassler

Quartet: *Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.*
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

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. (Please note the dipping of bread into the wine is no longer permitted in the Anglican Diocese of Toronto.)
 - **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

Love Came Down at Christmas

Jerome K. Ramsfield

Love came down at Christmas,
Love all lovely, Love divine;
Love was born at Christmas;
star and angels gave the sign.

Worship we the Godhead,
Love incarnate, Love divine;
worship we our Jesus,
but wherewith for sacred sign?

Love shall be our token;
love be yours and love be mine;
love to God and others,
love for plea and gift and sign.

Text: Christina Rossetti
Music: Jerome K. Ramsfield

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.

All: **Amen.**

Blessing

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

Announcements

Closing Hymn (#145)

Good King Wenceslas

TEMPUS ADEST FLORIDUM

All: Good King Wenceslas looked out
on the feast of Stephen,
when the snow lay round about,
deep and crisp and even.
Brightly shone the moon that night,
though the frost was cruel,
when a poor man came in sight,
gathering winter fuel.

Lower
voices: "Hither, page, and stand by me,
if thou knowest it, telling:
yonder peasant, who is he?
Where and what his dwelling?"

Upper
voices: "Sire, he lives a good league hence,
underneath the mountain,
right against the forest fence,
by St. Agnes' fountain."

Lower
voices: "Bring me flesh and bring me wine,
bring me pinelogs hither;
thou and I will see him dine,
when we bear them thither."

All: Page and monarch, forth they went,
forth they went together,
through the rude wind's wild lament,
and the bitter weather.

Upper
voices: “Sire, the night is darker now,
and the wind blows stronger;
fails my heart, I know not how;
I can go no longer.”

Lower
voices: “Mark my footsteps, my good page,
tread thou in them boldly.
Thou shalt find the winter’s rage
freeze your blood less coldly.”

All: In his master’s steps he trod,
where the snow lay dinted;
heat was in the very sod
which the saint had printed.
Therefore, Christians all, be sure,
wealth or rank possessing,
ye who now will bless the poor,
shall yourselves find blessing.

Text: John Mason Neale
Music: *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

Dismissal

(please stand as you are able)

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

All: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Postlude

Quand le Sauveur Jésus-Christ fut né de Marie “When the Saviour was born of Mary”

J.F. Dandrieu

Please join us in Elliott Hall for Coffee Hour.

Christmas Flowers

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

Richard Perry
Doris and Arthur Morrow
Herbert Morrow
Jim Agnew
Paul Kavanagh
Margaret and John Ireton
Innes and Felicia van Nostrand
Margaret Hutchison
Mary Kearns
Mary Robertson
Anne Larkin
Joan and Tony Whittingham
Bill Rhodes
John Ireton
Ted Ritcey
Mary Alice and Sandy Stuart
Joan and Harry Scott
John Godfrey
Mary Godfrey
Jack Godfrey
Stephen Godfrey
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Ethel and John Beedell
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Eric Drakeford
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Reader:
Nigel Johnson

Prayers:
Winnie Tang

Warden on Duty:
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Ted White

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-----ANNOUNCEMENTS-----

WORSHIP

The Naming of Jesus, Wednesday, January 1st at 11am

Join us to ring in the new year and celebrate this feast day.

The Epiphany of the Lord, Sunday, January 5th (8am, 9:15am, 10:30am)

The magi arrive to celebrate the birth of Jesus; let us join in!

SING WITH OUR CHOIR: Have you rediscovered your love of singing this Christmas? Then consider joining CCDP's choir! The parish choir (currently 18 voices) meets for weekly rehearsal from September to June on Thursday evenings from 7:00pm-9:00pm, and at 9:45am on Sunday mornings in preparation for singing at the 10:30am service and other special events. Our first rehearsal of 2025 will be on January 9th and it's a great time to come and see what we do. If you are potentially interested in joining, please contact Stefani at sbedin@christchurchdeerpark.org

PASTORAL

OFFICE HOURS: Please note that the church office will be closed on all days between Christmas and New Years except for Monday, December 30th, on which it will be open from 9am-3pm.

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 reach out to our congregational care team by email at communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE DRIVERS NEEDED: We are very much in need of 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; any commitment would be very helpful! Please contact Ann Atkins at communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org

COMMUNITY BUILDING

9:15AM POTLUCK: Our potluck has been moved to Sunday, January 19th!

10:30AM RETREAT: On Sunday, January 26th we'll gather after the 10:30am service in Elliott Hall for a time of reflection, prayer, and a catered lunch. Please RSVP to Rev. Stephen at sdrakeford@christchurchdeerpark.org

SOCIAL JUSTICE

CLIMATE ACTION GROUP: In fall 2020, scientists reported a mass die-off of up to a million migratory birds across the American Southwest and Mexico. Many had little muscle mass, seeming to have dropped dead from the sky mid-flight, like the proverbial canaries in a coal mine. The ongoing wildfires in the West were considered a factor.

TRUTH & RECONCILIATION WORKING GROUP: Ways to Truth and Reconciliation recommends learning the history of Indigenous and non-Indigenous people as well as the history and legacy of residential schools. There are many courses in this area-including: <https://iceclearning.fnuniv.ca/courses/4-seasons-of-reconciliation>. Also, you can watch Indigenous News and other programming on APTN and they have a 90 day free trial on their streaming app called Lumi but it is 4.99 a month regularly.

Please note: we are looking for more participants for the Truth & Reconciliation Working Group. This group helps inform our congregation about current developments in Indigenous Reconciliation, especially where they pertain to the Anglican Church of Canada's historic and current relationship with Indigenous communities. Please email Cathy if you are interested, have suggestions, or have questions: cgibbs@christchurchdeerpark.org

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that the land on which we worship is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (*ho-den-oh-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, January 1
11am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

Saturday, January 4
8-9:30am Community Breakfast

Sunday, January 5
8:00am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

9:15am Contemporary Worship

10:30am Holy Eucharist (BAS)
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