



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL OTTAWA

A diverse and vibrant community that glorifies God and welcomes all people

WELCOME

It is so wonderful to gather and worship together! Please note that masks are required to be worn at all times except when receiving communion. If you require a headset for hearing assistance or you require communion to be brought to you in the pew, please speak with a Duty Warden or Sidesperson. Children may be taken to Sunday School in the Great Hall before the service, and they will return to the Cathedral during the Peace. Please join us for a social time in the Great Hall following the service.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 5th, 2021

10.30 am Choral Eucharist (BAS)

Mass for three voices – William Byrd

The flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in memory of John Nelson and Grandmother Helena Fajarczuk.

Prelude

Intermezzo (Sonata opus 98) - Josef Rheinberger

Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Loving God, in this time of preparation and planning,
we thank you for the hope and peace you unfailingly offer us.

Show us the creative power of hope. Teach us the peace that comes from justice.
Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you, that we may walk in the light of Christ.

By the light of these candles may we worship the God of hope and peace. **Amen.**

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Hymn 305

God is our song

Greeting

Dear friends, we gather this day on the traditional territory of the Algonquin Nation.
May we always dwell on this land with respect and peace.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open, all desires known and from you no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Trisagion

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, who sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah, inspire us, the ministers and stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient hearts to you, that when the Christ shall come again to be our judge, we may stand with confidence before his glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Baruch 5:1-9

A reading from the book of Baruch.

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendour everywhere under heaven. For God will give you evermore the name, Righteous Peace, Godly Glory." Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height; look toward the east, and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that God has remembered them. For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies; but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God. The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Canticle 19 (Luke 1:68-79)

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; for he has come to his people and set them free. He has raised up for us a mighty Savior, born of the house of his servant David. Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us. He promised to show mercy to our ancestors, and to remember his holy covenant, This was the oath he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life. You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins. In the tender compassion of our God, the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Second Reading

Philippians 3:1-11

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Philippians.

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

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Gradual

Come thou redeemer of the earth – Andrew Parnell

Come, thou Redeemer of the earth, and manifest thy virgin-birth: let every age adoring fall; such birth befits the God of all. Begotten of no human will, but of the Spirit, thou art still the Word of God, in flesh arrayed, the Saviour, now to us displayed. O equal to thy Father, thou! Gird on thy fleshly mantle now, the weakness of our mortal state with deathless might invigorate. Thy cradle here shall glitter bright and darkness breathe a newer light, where endless faith shall shine serene, and twilight never intervene. All laud to God the father be, All praise, eternal son, to thee: All glory, as is ever meet, to God the holy paraclete. Amen.

Holy Gospel

Luke 3:1-6

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Hymn 103

On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry

Apostles' Creed

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

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

Let us pray.

Maker and Lover of all, in the mystery of your kindness you have bound us to each other, and called us to serve the earth and its people.

So hear us, as in this cathedral we pray for Bishop Shane and for all our diocesan parishes, that they may ever be centres of faith, hospitality and imagination, modelling the future rather than lamenting the past.

God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Grateful for the life in our bodies, we pray for those whose lives are diminished by ill health, depression, grief or rejection, asking for the healing, the affirming, the listening which will encourage and restore them. And we give thanks for those who have we have loved and see no longer; may their souls rest in peace.

God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Conscious of the peace of this place, we pray for those who have no peace because of war or the fear of war, or the threat of violence, or the grip of hunger, or the loss of hope. May the voice of the victims be heard and the work of peacemakers be blessed.

God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Surrounded by the rolling and tender beauty of the Ottawa Valley, we pray for the earth, especially where it is damaged by human carelessness and threatened by human greed. We pray for those suffering the ravages of floods in our land and all manner of natural disasters in our world. May learn to care for your earth and all its inhabitants as you do.

God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Knowing that you hear us when we pray, we take a moment to offer silently all those people and situations that are on our hearts this day.

Silence.

We commit all our cares and concern to you, gracious God, trusting in your compassionate love. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; welcoming sinners and inviting us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God,

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.

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn 108

Hark, a herald voice is sounding

Please note that the collection plate will be passed and is also available at the back of the Cathedral before and after the service. You may also make an offering to the Cathedral by sending an e-transfer to info@ottawacathedral.ca or by going to <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/5519>. Thank you!

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer Over the Gifts

God our strength, we are nothing without you. Receive all we offer you this day as you sustain us with your mercy; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.

When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation.

Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory: *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.*

Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him.

He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

Communion

For Communion, please proceed to the altar rail in two lines. For a blessing, cross your hands over your chest; for gluten-free, hold out one hand; for a regular wafer, hold out two hands. The common cup has been deemed safe, but if you are uncomfortable taking the cup, receiving in one kind is full communion. Intinction (dipping the wafer in the wine) is strictly prohibited. Please remove your mask, receive communion, and replace your mask before returning to your seat via one of the side aisles.

Motet

Ave Verum – William Byrd

Ave verum Corpus Natum de maria virgine. Vere passum immolatum In Cruce pro homine. Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit sanguine, Sanguine. Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine. O dulcis. O Pie. O Jesu Fili Mariae, Miserere mei. Amen | Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind, from whose pierced side water and blood flowed: Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet] in the trial of death! O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus, O Jesus, son of Mary, have mercy on me. Amen.

THE SENDING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God, we thank you for feeding us with this heavenly banquet. Help us always to hear the prophet's call to turn our hearts to you; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Glory to God,

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 and Dismissal

Be steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and untiring in love all the days of your life; and the blessing of God, the Creator, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 109

When the King shall come again

Postlude

Prelude & Fugue in a (BWV 543) – J.S. Bach

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READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

December 12th – Third Sunday of Advent

Zephaniah 3:14-20; Canticle 3 (Isaiah 12:2-6); Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18

ADVENT, CHRISTMAS AND EPIPHANY SERVICES

December 5th, Second Sunday of Advent

4 pm The “O” Antiphons

December 10th, Prophets of the Old Testament

9 pm Compline (Live-streamed only)

December 12th, Third Sunday of Advent

8:30 am Holy Eucharist (BCP) | 10:30 am Choral Eucharist (BAS)

4 pm Nine Lessons and Carols

December 17th, Simon Gibbons

9 pm Compline (Live-streamed only)

December 19th, Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:30 am Holy Eucharist (BCP) | 10:30 am Choral Eucharist (BAS)

4 pm Family Christmas Concert

Christmas Eve

4 pm Family Service with Eucharist | 7 pm Choral Eucharist | 10 pm Festal Eucharist for Christmas

Christmas Day

8:30 am Holy Eucharist (BCP) | 10:30 am Choral Eucharist with Children’s Homily at the Crèche

December 26th, First Sunday after Christmas

8:30 am Holy Eucharist (BCP) | 10:30 am Choral Eucharist (BAS)

New Year’s Day, Anglican Diocese of Ottawa’s 125th Anniversary

Noon Choral Eucharist with Archbishop Linda Nicholls

January 2nd, Epiphany of the Lord

8:30 am Holy Eucharist (BCP) | 10:30 am Choral Eucharist (BAS)

January 9th, Baptism of the Lord

8:30 am Holy Eucharist (BCP) | 10:30 am Holy Baptism and Choral Eucharist (BAS)

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