

ANGLICAN PARISH OF WOODSTOCK
SAINT LUKE'S **CHRIST CHURCH**



2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 16, 2022



On-Line Only – Spiritual Communion

**Livestreamed Sunday morning and available on
Facebook, YouTube & our Website in the evening.**



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We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Wastowiqiyik (Maliseet) and Mi'kmaq Peoples.

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Welcome to On-Line Worship
Order of Service
Book of Alternative Service p. 185

Opening Hymn #393: *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*
(Soloist vs. 1 & 4)

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Scripture Sentence: Jesus manifested his glory, and his disciples believed in him. *John 2: 11*

The Gathering of the Community

The Greeting **p. 185**

The Collect for Purity

Glory to God (said) **p. 186**

Collect: Almighty God, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

1st Reading: Isaiah 62: 1-5 *The Vindication & Salvation of Zion*

Psalm 36: 5-10 **p. 748**

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11 *Spiritual Gifts*

Hymn #287: *Come To A Wedding, Come To A Blessing*
(Soloist vs. 1,2,3)

Gospel: John 2: 1-11 *The Wedding at Cana*

Sermon: *Where is Your Joy?*

Instrumental #647: *Spirit of the Living God*

Apostle's Creed

Prayers of the People: Litany #4 p. 113

Response: Lord grant us peace!

Confession and Absolution p. 191

The Peace p. 192

Offertory #619: *Fairest Lord Jesus* (Soloist vs. 1 & 4)

(Thank you for sending in your offering)

Prayer Over the Gifts p. 350

Guidance on Spiritual Communion

(from the Church of England, authorized by Archbishop David Edwards)

The term ‘Spiritual Communion’ has been used historically to describe the means of grace by which a person, prevented for some serious reason from sharing in a celebration of the Eucharist, nonetheless shares in the communion of Jesus Christ. This period of lockdown, during Level 3 of our province’s winter plan, is one such time. Spiritual Communion offers Christians an opportunity to give thanks for our communion with Jesus when we would ordinarily be present at the Eucharist.

The Church is not defined by the walls of a building but by the Body of Christ of which we are members. In making our communion spiritually, we are joining with Christians everywhere to be nourished by the one who tells us, ‘I am the Bread of Life’.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

We pray together:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Jesus said, ‘I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.’ John 6.35

Lord Jesus Christ, we give thanks for your saving death and resurrection, and we ask You to be with you now.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given us, for all the pains and insults you have borne for us. Since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, We ask you to come

spiritually into our hearts. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

Adapted from the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

Lord, in these days of mercy, make us quiet and prayerful. in these days of challenge, make us stronger in you. in these days of emptiness, take possession of us. in these days of waiting, open our hearts to the mystery of your cross. Amen.

Prayer by Angela Ashwin

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you most humble and hearty thanks for all your goodness and loving kindness. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And give us, we pray, such a sense of all your mercies that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth your praise, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, for ever and ever. Amen

The Lord's Prayer p. 211

Prayer after Communion p. 350

Doxology p. 214

Blessing

Closing Hymn #384: *Praise To The Lord the Almighty*
(Soloist vs. 1,2, & 6)

The Dismissal

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

Special Prayers are requested for: Janet, Kim, Ernest, Mavis, Gordon, Ellen, Karla, Amanda, Jennifer, Randy, Colin, Liam, Sadie, Emma, Scottie, Kate, Gail, Tanya, Terry, Brad, Billy, Lorne, Kent, Doreen, Dick, Susanne, Jim, Trevor, Lindsay, Lois, David, Carrie, Barry, Freda, Charles, Betty-Jean, Archbishop David's parents, Doreen and John.

Seeking Greeters for 2022

Please contact Ruth at 328-4304 to volunteer to be a greeter February through December 2022.

Participating in Today's Service

Officiant: Rev. Shirley Noseworthy

Lay Reader: Janis Richard

Organist: Sandra Culberson

Soloist: Emily Clark

Videographer: Tony Richard

Audio: Armin Hackelsperger

Altar Guild: Jean Collicott & Barb Richard

Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries!

Happy Birthday to Alex English, Bill Anthony, Nancy English, Zoe Frame, Emma Garnett, Ann Allaby, Mavis Spires and to anyone celebrating a birthday!

Happy Wedding Anniversary to anyone celebrating their special day!

A Prayer based on Jeremiah 29:11

Heavenly Father, You know the plans You have for each of us, and we thank you for those celebrating a birthday or wedding anniversary! We give You glory because Your plans are to give us hope and a future. Help each one cling to this promise and give them the strength to continue in the plans You have set for them. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Diocesan Intercessions

Each week we pray for those on the Anglican Prayer Cycle, located [here](#). **Jan.16** The Church of England, the Most Rev and Rt Hon Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury. Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Anglican Church of Canada. Diocese of Québec, Bishop Bruce Myers. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias Meduadues-Badohu. Diocese of Yukon, Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame, Dawson City: St. Paul's; Moosehide: St. Barnabas; The Klondike Creeks; The Dempster Hwy; the Rev. Percy Henry; licensed lay ministers Mabel Henry, Betty Davidson and Shirley Pennell. Archbishop David, retired bishops Claude, William and George, and their families.

Winter Worship

At its Jan. 16 Zoom meeting, the vestry will decide whether to worship in the church or move to the hall for February and March. An announcement will be in next Sunday's bulletin.

ACW AGM Postponed until Further Notice

Due to the uncertainty with the Omicron variant, the ACW AGM, originally scheduled for Jan. 27, is postponed until further notice.

St. Luke's Congregational AGM, Feb. 13

Covid restrictions permitting, the annual congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, Feb. 13, following the 10:30 am service of Holy Eucharist. Those responsible for annual activity reports, please submit your typed report (preferably in size 8.5" x 11", portrait, font 12 Arial) to Ruth by Tuesday, Feb. 1, so that we can get the Annual Report Booklet ready for printing. Thank you all for your faithful service!

Dr Heather Dow in Syria for 2 months

Dr. Heather Dow has done humanitarian trips to Haiti in the past and also has gone to Syria before. The following is written by Dr Dow to Joy, her sister-in-law, to explain where she is going:

The refugee camp is located in NE Syria near a small city Al-Hasakah. It houses about 65,000 refugees who are mostly Iraqi and Syrian women and children. In a place intended for 20,000, living conditions are pretty crowded . It is basically a massive tent city.

Cadus, a small grassroots medical volunteer organization operates one of the two field hospitals (Kurdish Red Crescent runs the other). Conditions in the 30-bed hospital are quite rustic by our standards here.

One big concern, especially is to provide the best care possible under the circumstances, including basic bloodwork.

A crucial piece of equipment that could fill that gap is a blood gas analyzer, especially for monitoring critically ill patients with Covid pneumonia or those children with valvular heart disease who are waiting for their surgery.

She is raising money to try to get a blood machine for them, if we are interested in a donation, total cost is about \$1500.00 for a refurbished one.

Dr Dow left on Jan. 2, 2022, and has crossed the border to Syria. Please keep her in your thoughts and pray for her safe return.

Bulletin Board

Sunday, Jan. 16, 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

10:30 am On-line only Worship – Livestreamed to Facebook.

2:00 pm Vestry Meeting (Zoom)

Sunday, Jan. 23, 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

10:30 am On-line only Worship -Livestreamed to Facebook

Sunday, Jan. 30, Presentation of the Lord

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