



**St. Timothy's Anglican Church, Agincourt**  
**Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**The First Sunday of Advent**  
**Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Andrea Christensen**  
**Deacon: The Rev. Dr. Kathy Buligan**

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**Those Assisting in our Worship Service**

**Readers:** Alma Asheria/Karen Chalmers      **Intercessor:** Karen Chalmers  
**PowerPoint Operator:** Paul Baillargeon      **Tech:** Ben Conn  
**Music:** Raymond, Sofia & the Saturday Night Singers

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PRELUDE

SERVICE SETTING:                      Mass of Communion                      *by Maher, Ndolo & Le*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS TERRITORY

♪ OPENING HYMN      #89 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vs. 1, 4, 5, 6)

O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
and ransom captive Israel,  
that mourns in lonely exile here  
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
shall come to you, O Israel!

O come, O Rod of Jesse's stem,  
from every foe deliver them  
that trust your mighty power to save,  
and give them victory o'er the grave. [Refrain]

O come, O Key of David, come,  
and open wide our heavenly home;  
make safe the way that leads on high,  
and close the path to misery. [Refrain]

O come, O Dayspring from on high,  
and cheer us by your drawing nigh;  
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
and death's dark shadow put to flight. [Refrain]

#### THE GREETING

Leader 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.**

Leader Almighty God,

**All 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.**

#### ♪ KYRIE

**Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy**

**Christi eleison, Christ have mercy**

**Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy**

**Lord have mercy**

#### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH – “*GOD*”

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the  
Word was God. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not  
overcome it.”

As we light this first candle of Advent, may we remember that God is the  
beginning of all things. That it is *God* who initiates everything. All of our  
worship is a response to all that *God* has done.

#### COLLECT FOR CHILDREN

Ever patient God, we all struggle with waiting. Help all of us, as your children,  
to wait for your coming. Help us to look forward with eager anticipation and  
keep our attention on you, the greatest gift of all, our Saviour and Friend, Jesus  
Christ. **Amen.**

## COLLECT

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Hearing God's Word to Us

FIRST READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

PSALM 122

SECOND READING: Romans 13:11-14

♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia**

**Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**Allelu, alleluia.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Allelu, allelu, alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 24: 36-44

**R: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ. /Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

## THE NICENE CREED

Leader Let us confess our faith, 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

### CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Leader      When the Lord comes, he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness, and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

*Silence is kept.*

Leader      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.**

Leader      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

Leader        God will speak peace to his people, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

**All**            The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

### THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

#### ♪ OFFERTORY HYMN

#### Offering

Over the skies of Bethlehem appeared a star  
While angels sang to lowly shepherds  
Three wise men seeking truth traveled from afar  
Hoping to find the child from Heaven  
Falling on their knees  
They bowed before the humble Prince of Peace

#### Chorus:

I bring an offering of worship to my King  
No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing  
Jesus may You receive the honor that You're due  
Oh Lord I bring an offering to You  
I bring an offering to You

The sun cannot compare to the glory of Your love  
There is no shadow in Your presence  
No mortal man would dare to stand before Your throne  
Before the Holy One of Heaven  
It's only by Your blood it's only through Your mercy  
Lord I come

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### THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, through the gifts of our time, our talent and our money either online or in-person, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER #3

Leader The Lord be with you.

**All And also with you.**

Leader Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Leader 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.

♪ HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Leader 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 give 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,

**we remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory;**

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 (said)

Leader    And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD #5

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

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

## THE COMMUNION

Leader    The gifts of God for the People of God.

**All            Thanks be to God.**

## ♪ LAMB OF GOD

**Lamb of God You take away the sins of the world, Miserere nobis**

**Lamb of God You take away the sins of the world, Miserere nobis**

**Lamb of God You take away the sins of the world, Dona nobis pacem**

**Dona nobis pacem.**

## ♪ COMMUNION HYMNS

Here I Am to Worship

Light of the world

You stepped down into darkness

Opened my eyes let me see

Beauty that made

This heart adore You

Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus:

So here I am to worship

Here I am to bow down

Here I am to say that You're my God

And You're altogether lovely

Altogether worthy

Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days

Oh so highly exalted

Glorious in heaven above

Humbly You came

To the earth You created

All for love's sake became poor

Bridge

And I'll never know how much it cost

To see my sin upon that cross

And I'll never know how much it cost

To see my sin upon that cross



## Will You Wait for Me?

With Mary on the journey will you wait for me  
With Mary on the journey will you wait for me  
With Mary on the journey will you patient be  
Will you wait will you wait with me

With Joseph in confusion will you wait for me  
With Joseph in confusion will you wait for me  
With Joseph in confusion will you patient be  
Will you wait will you wait with me

### Chorus:

We will wait we will wait for you  
We will wait we will wait this through  
We will wait we will wait for you  
And we will wait we will wait with you

With Simeon and Anna will you wait for me  
With Simeon and Anna will you wait for me  
With Simeon and Anna will you patient be  
Will you wait will you wait with me

With John at the river will you wait for me  
With John at the river will you wait for me  
With John at the river will you patient be  
Will you wait will you wait with me

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## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. Amen.

## DOXOLOGY

Leader 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.**

## THE BLESSING

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

## ♪ CLOSING HYMN    Waiting, Watching, Longing For You

Prophets foretold the return of a King to sit on David's throne  
They spoke of a servant who'd suffer and die for those He calls His own  
That Yahweh Himself would shepherd the flock that had wandered from home  
Little did they understand that You would be all three in one.

Chorus:

We are waiting, watching, longing for You  
Our Shepherd, our Saviour, our King  
May our lives be found ready to welcome You here  
Lord Jesus, Emmanuel

An angel told Mary she'd carry a child, the Holy Son of God  
She willingly welcomed You into her womb, the fear and pain that entailed  
But the Prince of Peace she carried inside gave her courage to prevail  
She patiently waited the fullness of time to see God come to Earth.

Shepherds sat in the dark of the night as they kept watch o'er their sheep  
When the skies exploded with heavenly light and a chorus of angels was heard  
A child had been born, God in human form, the Saviour of the world  
They rejoiced and were glad they'd been honoured to be the first to see You here.

For years they studied the skies at night looking for clues and signs  
A King would be born deserving of praise from people far and wide  
God above had a message of love and forgiveness for all humankind  
A new star came out, confirming their faith that the special child had arrived.

Bridge

The seals will be broken the trumpets resound  
The First and the Last shall appear  
To gather the faithful, the ones who kept watch  
Knowing the hour is near.

## THE DISMISSAL

Leader Our Lord says, 'I am coming soon.'

**All Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

## POSTLUDE