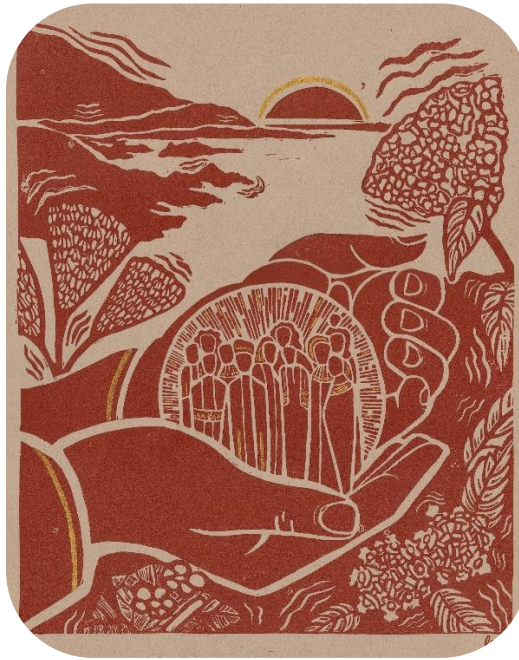


All Saints' Cathedral Choral Eucharist



The First Sunday of Advent
30 November 2025 at 10:30am

*Welcome to All Saints' Cathedral as we journey together
through the season of Advent.*

*We acknowledge that the land on which we worship is the traditional gathering place of
the Cree, Nakoda Sioux, Blackfoot, Dene, Sarcee, Saulteaux, Mohawk and Métis
Nations. We commit in both prayer and action to be faithful Treaty 6 partners.*

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn of Praise Jesus Calls Us



Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult
of our life's wild restless sea,
day by day his sweet voice soundeth,
saying, 'Christian, follow me.'

As of old Saint Andrew heard it
by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred,
leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us,
saying 'Christian, love me more.'

In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
'Christian, love me more than these.'

Jesus call us: by thy mercies,
Saviour, make us hear thy call,
give our hearts to thine obedience,
serve and love thee best of all.

Lighting of the First Advent Candle - Hope

Celebrant In a world full of fear, where do you see hope?

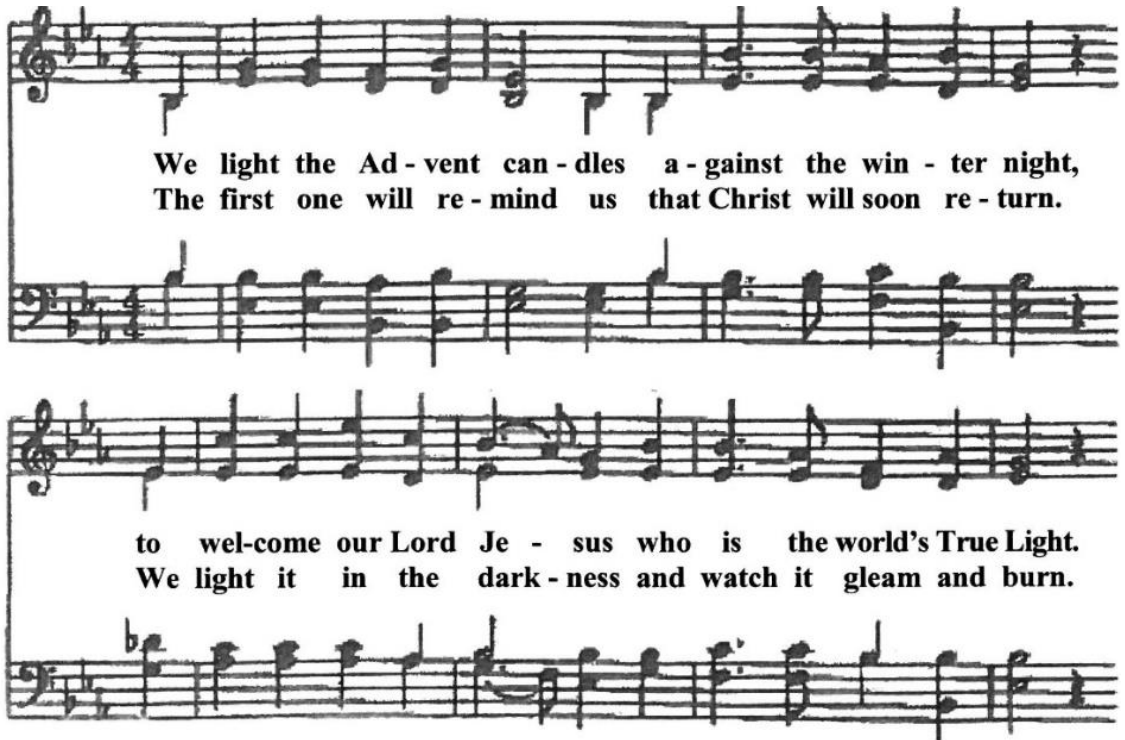
People We see hope when we look to the next generation. We feel hopeful when we gather together. We know hope, deep in our bones, when we dream of a better world.

Celebrant You are right. Even in a fearful world, hope is all around us. Today we light the candle of hope as a reminder of this good news. May this flicker of light help us remember that we have reason to hope.

The first candle is lit as the congregation sings.

Introit We Light the Advent Candles

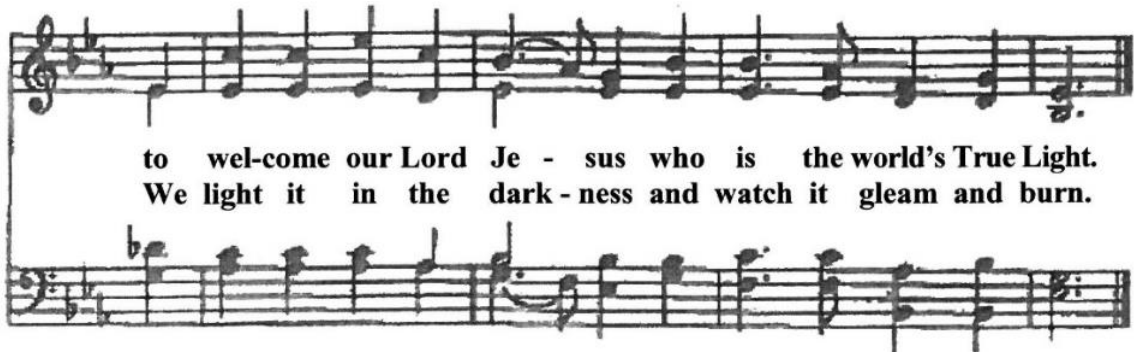
German Folk Tune; Words by Gracia Grindal



The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of staves. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across measures. The melody is simple and folk-like, with a clear cadence at the end of each line.

We light the Ad - vent can - dles a - gainst the win - ter night,
The first one will re - mind us that Christ will soon re - turn.

to wel - come our Lord Je - sus who is the world's True Light.
We light it in the dark - ness and watch it gleam and burn.



Celebrant Thanks be to God!
All Amen.

Celebrant God with-us, in the time of Moses, you spoke through water in the desert and a pillar of smoke. In the time of the judges, you spoke through the prophets. In the time of Herod, you spoke through angel choruses and unlikely miracles. In every time you have been speaking. So today, in our time, we ask that you would speak again. Break through the chatter and the distraction of our weary minds and speak to us once more. With hope we pray,
All Amen.

The Greeting and Collect for Purity

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

People And also with you.

Celebrant 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 Eleison

Richard Shephard

At a moderate speed

p Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

mf Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Christ, have

p mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

Collect for the Day

Celebrant Almighty God,
All 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.

The First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

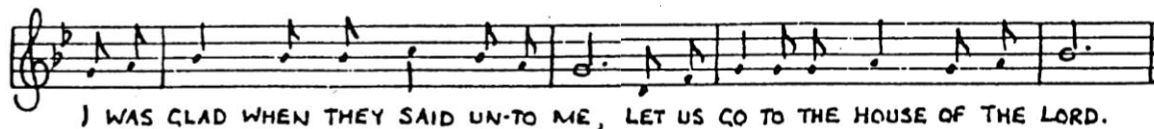
The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall

arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Psalm 122



I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."
Now our feet are standing
Within your gates, O Jerusalem. **Antiphon**

Jerusalem is built as a city
That is at unity with itself.
To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,
The assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the Lord. **Antiphon**

For there are the thrones of judgement,
The thrones of the house of David.
Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
"May they prosper who love you." **Antiphon**

"Peace be within your walls and quietness within your towers.
For my companions' sake, I pray for your prosperity.
Because of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek to do you good." **Antiphon**

The Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers;

the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn O Day of God Draw Nigh

FRANCONIA. S.M. *Harmonischer Liederschatz, 1738.*

A-men.

O day of God, draw nigh in beauty and in power;
Come with thy timeless judgement now to match our present hour.

Bring to our troubled minds, uncertain and afraid,
The quiet of a steadfast faith, calm of a call obeyed.

Bring justice to our land, that all may dwell secure,
And finely build for day to come foundations that endure.

Bring to our world of strife thy sovereign word of peace,
That war may haunt the earth no more and desolation cease.

O day of God, draw nigh, as at creation's birth;
Let there be light again, and set thy judgements in the earth.

The Holy Gospel

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew (24:36-44).

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Choir

But who may abide the day of his coming?
For He is like a refiner's fire. (*Malachi 3:2*)

George Frederic Handel

The Homily

The Very Rev. Alexandra Meek

The Nicene Creed Common Praise 681

John Merbecke

All I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and
earth and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God; Light, of

Light, very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father, through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures and ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

If you would like a name (you or someone else) added to the parish prayer list, please contact the office. If a name should be removed, please let us know.

Intercessor Let us now open our hearts and offer to God our deepest prayers as we say: Lord in your mercy, "hear our prayer."

We lift up all of those for whom prayer has been requested: Vivian, John, James, Joe and Shelly, Carol, Shawne, Jayson, Tyler, Chris, Diane, Kay, Lynn, Linda, Benjamin, Seth and Lucy, Pio, Vivian, Bonnie, Mel, Lois, Bob, Janet, Mary, June, JC, Mark, Paul, Laura, Selina, Kenneth, and those known only unto you, Lord. We give thanks for the life of Rebekah O'Brien. Eternal rest grant unto Rebekah, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Lord in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

Intercessor For the Church of the living God throughout the world, we pray for the ***Anglican Church of Canada***, including Shane Parker, the Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, and Chris Harper, the National Indigenous Archbishop. We also pray for the Diocese of the Arctic and Bishop Alexander Pryor as well as Suffragan Bishops Annie Ittoshat, Jared Osborne, and Ann Martha Keenainak. We pray for our own ***Diocese of Edmonton*** and Stephen, our Bishop. We pray for St. George, Devon and Rector Lisa Wojna. In the ***Diocese of Buyé***, we pray for the Kobero Parish (St. Stephen) and Elie Ndacayisenga, Rector. In the ***Indigenous Community***, we lift up the Samson Cree Nation. Lord in your mercy,
All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Almighty God, inspire the universal church to be most concerned with living lives inspired by your Son and give us hearts that beat to serve you. Lord in your mercy,
All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Bless those in authority, in this nation and in all the nations, with an urgency to care for all people and to undo systems of injustice. Lord in your mercy,
All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Give us opportunities to live into our faith and identify as followers of Jesus. Open our eyes to see those around us, in our neighbourhoods, schools, and places of work, who need our loving support and care. Lord in your mercy,
All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Grant wisdom and persistence to those who seek cures and relief of pain, and heal and comfort those who suffer from illness. Lord in your mercy,
All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Give us wisdom and persistence for the care of creation. Lord in your mercy,

All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Grant rest eternal to those who have died and comfort to those who mourn. Grant us daily an awareness that life is precious and fleeting, that we might use our hours to your glory. Lord in your mercy,

All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Almighty God, you lovingly create and care for us; hear now these prayers and answer them as may be best for us and for the furtherance of your redemptive grace.

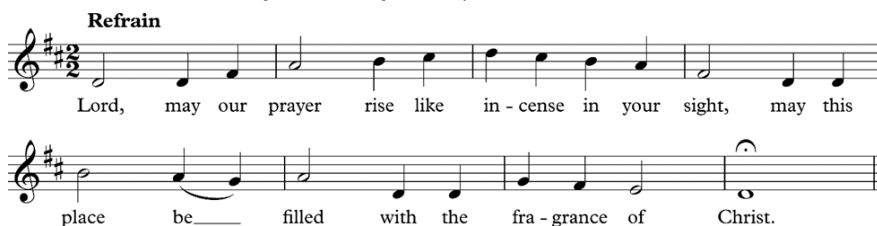
All **Amen.**

The Fragrance of Christ

David Haas

Choir I will thank you, Lord, with all of my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. In the presence of the angels I will bless you, I will adore before your holy temple.

All



Confession and Absolution

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

Silence is kept.

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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.
People Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Offertory

You may place your offering in the plate as the sidespeople make their way down the centre aisle. Offering may also be placed in the offering box set in the middle aisle of the cathedral. To donate to the work of the Cathedral online, please go to our website.



The Offertory Hymn 99 Break, Day of God, O Break

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God of love and power,
All your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant 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 and Benedictus

R. R. Terry

126 *mf* San - ctus, san - ctus, san - ctus, Do - mi - nus De - us Sa - ba - oth.

130 Ple - ni sunt cae - li et ter - ra glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a tu - a. *f* Ho -

134 san - na in ex - cel - sis, Ho - san - na in ex - cel - sis.

138 *f* Be - ne - di - ctus, be - ne - di - ctus qui ve - nit in no - mi - ne, in *cresc.*

144 *dim.* no - mi - ne Do - mi - ni. *f* Ho - san - na in ex - cel - sis, Ho - san - na in ex -



Celebrant 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."

People Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant 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.

People Amen.

The Lord's Prayer Common Praise 684

John Merbecke

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 them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Priest 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

Celebrant These are the gifts of God for the people of God.
All Thanks be to God.

Please come forward to receive communion. You may receive both the bread and the wine, or if you prefer, you may receive in one kind only, the bread. Intinction (dipping the bread) is not permitted. The communion bread is gluten, dairy, egg, and yeast free. To receive a blessing in place of communion, please cross your hands over your chest.

Music During Communion

Agnus Dei

R. R. Terry

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God,

qui tollis peccata mundi:

You take away the sin of the world.

Miserere nobis

Have mercy on us.

Dona nobis pacem

Grant us peace.

Adam lay ybounden

Peter Warlock

Adam lay ybounden, bounden in a bond;

Four thousand winter thought he not too long.

And all was for an apple, an apple that he took,

As clerkes finden written in their book.

Ne had the apple taken been, Ne had never our lady a-been heavené queen.

Blessed be the time that apple taken was,

Therefore we moun singen, Deo gracias! (Anon. 15th Century)

Communion Hymn 88 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant

God for whom we wait,

All

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.

The Doxology

Celebrant 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

The Benedictory Hymn 97 Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring

Dismissal

Leader Let us go forth and bless the Lord!
People Thanks be to God!

Organ

Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten BWV 642
If thou but suffer God to guide thee

Johann Sebastian Bach

Announcements

Christmas Flower Campaign is On Now! – If you would like to make a donation towards Christmas flowers, please enclose your donation in a Christmas flower envelope (found in a pew or in the Narthex) and place in the offering.

Advent Lessons and Carols on December 7 at 7:00pm – Join us for an evening of scripture and song as we prepare our hearts for Christmas. A reception will follow. If you would like to read one of the readings for this service, please contact RJ in the office.

Walking Together – Saturday, December 13 at 1:00pm – Join us for our quarterly interfaith walk in the river valley, meet new faith neighbours, enjoy the gift of the river, and receive a new teaching. Please register at:

<https://www.templebethora.org/event-details/>

St. Joachim Lessons and Carols – December 14 at 7:00pm – All are welcome to attend the Lessons and Carols service at St. Joachim Catholic Church (9928 110 Street NW). This service will feature a brass quintet and organist Jeremy Spurgeon and be followed by a reception with mulled wine and mince tarts.

Christmas Services at the Cathedral – Please join us as we celebrate Christmas at the Cathedral:

- Wednesday, December 24 at 4:30: Family Service
- Wednesday, December 24 at 10:00pm: Candlelight Service
- Thursday, December 25 at 10:00am: Holy Communion

Praying in the New Year on December 31 – Join together at All Saints' Cathedral to welcome the new year in prayer and praise. Hot chocolate and fellowship begins at 9:00pm, prayer and praise at 10:00pm, and eucharist at 11:00pm.

Donations Accepted of Winter Clothing – As part of our breakfast ministry, we offer winter clothing to those who need it. We are looking for donations of gloves, mitts, neck warmers, long underwear, and long-sleeve t-shirts and anything large size (2XL-5XL). We also accept monetary donations for winter clothing purchases. *We currently have a healthy supply of jackets and socks.*

New Sunday Morning Parking Permits – Annual Sunday morning parking permits for the Impark lot South of the Cathedral are available for purchase. If you would like to purchase one, please contact the Office for details.

Corporation/Lock Up This Week: Dean Alex

Readings for Next Sunday: Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12

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