





# The Anglican Parish of Saint Barnabas

December 24, 2025

Christmas Eve

*It is the mission of St. Barnabas Anglican Church to use  
the gifts that God has given us in Christian service to others.*

*In the spirit of respect and truth, we honour the peoples of the Treaty 7  
Territory and the Métis Nation of Alberta as we share this land.*

*Welcome to St. Barnabas Anglican Church. The altar flowers have been donated to  
the Glory of Almighty in loving memory of dearly missed loved ones.*

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## 7:30 PM: Holy Communion

Liturgy from *The Book of Common Prayer*

Hymns from *Common Praise*

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Prelude: "Christmas Eve"

Hodd/Morrow

Prelude: "Lullay, This Blessed Morning"

Young

Prelude: "The Holly and the Ivy"

Arr. Livingston

Solo: "O Holy Night"

Adams/sung by Archie Adams

**Processional Hymn 118 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" vs. 1-5 (Adeste Fideles)**

Lighting of the Advent and Christ Candles

The Word was the source of life, and this life brought light to mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never put it out. The Word became a human being and, full of grace and truth, lived among us. We saw his glory, the glory which he received as the Father's only Son. (John 1:4-5, 14)

We light this candle to remind us of the great light that comes at last with the birth of Jesus, the Word of God made human for us. As we welcome him in the poor stable in Bethlehem, we offer ourselves to bring his transforming love to birth in all dark places, and to serve him in all our brothers and sisters.

*The Advent and Christ candles are lit.*

Let us pray: **O God, your love was so great for us that you gave us your Son to shine out in our darkness. Help us to make that love known to all the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**The Collect for Purity**

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Summary of the Law

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Collect of the Day: Eternal God, this holy night is radiant with the brilliance of your one true light. As we have known the revelation of that light on earth, bring us to see the splendour of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. **Amen.**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7

Marilyn Elliott

Psalm 96

Lisa Mitchell

Choir Anthem: "Behold I Bring"

Caleb Simper

2nd Reading: Titus 2:11-14

Anne Tapp

**Gradual Hymn 126 "Away in a Manger"**

**(Cradle Song)**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke 2:1-20

The Rev. Kersi Bird

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**The Nicene Creed**

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The Sermon

The Rev. Kersi Bird

Offertory Sentence

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**Offertory Hymn 154 "Joy to the World"**

**(Antioch)**

*Monetary offerings for the ministry of the parish can be placed on the plate located by the entry doors to the sanctuary. To add to the offering during the offertory hymn as the sidesperson brings it to the altar to be blessed, please catch the attention of the sidesperson as the plate is brought forward. You may e-transfer your offering to [office@stbarnabas.ca](mailto:office@stbarnabas.ca).*

The Intercession

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Invitation, **Confession**, and Absolution

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Thanksgiving and Consecration

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**Prayer of Humble Access**

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The Communion

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Communion. Please proceed to the base of the chancel steps as directed by a sidesperson; if you are unable to do so, remain seated in your pew and a priest will bring communion to you. After consuming the wafer, you will be offered wine in two kinds – the common cup or a small glass. Alternatively, you may touch the base of the chalice or receive a blessing.*

Communion Hymn 122 “In the Bleak Midwinter” (Cranham)  
Communion Hymn 121 “O Little Town of Bethlehem” (Forest Green)  
Communion Hymn 140 “It Came Upon the Midnight Clear” (Carol)

**Post Communion Hymn “Silent Night” (Stille Nacht)**

*During the singing of “Silent Night”, the tapers will be lit and the lights dimmed.*

**The Lord’s Prayer** **page 85**

Prayer after Communion **page 85**

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**Recessional Hymn 138 “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” (Mendelssohn)**

Dismissal



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We wish you a happy and healthy Christmas! Thank you for worshipping with us on this holy night.

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