

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT AS A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER, WE GATHER ON THE TRADITIONAL AND UNSURRENDERED TERRITORY OF THE HALQ'EMEYN-SPEAKING COAST SALISH PEOPLES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE QAYQAYT, MUSQEUAM, KWITWETLEM, KWANTLEN, TSAWWASSEN. AND TSEIL-WAUTUTH, WE SEEK TO WALK A PATH OF RECONCILIATION & HEALING.

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Whether you have been a lifelong Anglican or are new to our tradition, we welcome you this morning! If you are not familiar with Anglican worship, simply allow the words, music and symbols to speak to you. Participate as fully as you feel comfortable in doing. We stand to sing and sit to listen. Some people kneel for prayer, some sit and some stand. Please do what is comfortable for you. You are invited to join in the words in **bold type.** Music for the songs is found in the blue <u>Common Praise</u> or green <u>Songs for a Gospel People hymnbook in the pews.</u>

Welcome

Gathering Hymn 'As With Gladness'

Common Praise 160 (tune Dix)

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold; as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright; so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped, Saviour to thy lowly bed, there to bend the knee before thee, whom heaven and earth adore; so may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare at that cradle rude and bare, so may we with joyful song, raising voices pure and strong, all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee our heavenly king.

In the heavenly country bright need they no created light: thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down; there for ever may we sing alleluias to our king.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Greeting

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the

communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Presider: We gather here from many places on land that is the traditional

and unsurrendered territory of the Halq'emeyn-speaking Coast

Salish peoples.

People: May Christ lead us on right pathways as we seek truth and

reconciliation in action.

Young People's Time

The Collect of the Day

Presider: Let us pray,

All: Almighty and ever-living God,

you revealed the incarnation of your Son

by the brilliant shining of a star. Shine the light of your justice in our hearts and over all lands.

and accept our lives as the treasure we offer

in your praise and for your service;

through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Reader: A reading from the prophet Isaiah,

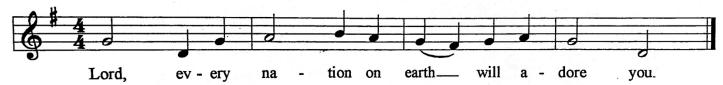
Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. ² For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. ³ Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

⁴ Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. ⁵ Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. ⁶ A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

Reader: Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm: 72:1-7 & 10-14



Refrain: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the king's son; that he may rule your people righteously and the poor with justice; that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, and the little hills bring righteousness.

Refrain

He shall defend the needy among the people, he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor. He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, from one generation to another.

Refrain

He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, like showers that water the earth. In his time shall the righteous flourish; there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

Refrain

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
All kings shall bow down before him, and all the nations do him service.
For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress and the oppressed who has no helper.

Refrain

He shall have pity on the lowly and poor and shall preserve the lives of the needy. He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

Refrain

The Second Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12

Reader: A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians,

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— ² for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³ and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴ a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵ In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: ⁶ that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

⁷ Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. ⁸ Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, ⁹ and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; ¹⁰ so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹ This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹² in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader: Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn

'Many are the Lightbeams'
Songs for a Gospel People 104

Many are the lightbeams of the one light. Our one light is Jesus. Many are the lightbeams of the one light, We are one in Christ.

Many are the branches of the one tree. Our one tree is Jesus. Many are the branches of the one tree, We are one in Christ.

Many are the gifts giv'n; love is all one. Love's the gift of Jesus. Many are the gifts giv'n; love is all one. We are one in Christ.

Many ways to serve God, the Spirit is one, Servant spirit of Jesus. Many ways to serve God, the Spirit is one, We are one in Christ.

The Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' ³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ⁶ "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means

least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."

⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Hymn (continued)

Many are the members, the body is one. Members all of Jesus. Many are the members, the body is one. We are one in Christ.

Teaching

The Rev. Michael Deck

The Prayers of the People

Leader: Let us kneel in homage as we pray to God, the King of Kings. To

the bidding, 'God of the Nations', please respond, 'hear our prayer.

God of the nations,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We offer our richest gifts of prayer and praise, knowing them

imperfect but trusting in the holiness of Christ to make his Church holy. We lift up our Archbishop of Canterbury Sarah, our Primate Shane, national indigenous Archbishop Chris, our Metropolitan John, and the clergy and people who serve this parish. As the wise ones were led by a star to Bethlehem, so guide your pilgrim Church to worship in holiness and bow down in adoration until the time when your purpose is accomplished. God of the nations,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Give wisdom to the rulers of this world, that they may see the light

of truth and follow the way of peace. Let them not be moved by fear or envy. Make them ready to see you in what seems small and unimportant, so that their power is used in service rather than pride. We remember nations in need of your justice, peace, and

compassion... pause here...

God of the nations,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: As we have known the joy of Christmas and rejoice in the gift of the

Holy Child, may we bring to him our gifts of love and reverence. Make our lives, our families, and all our relationships, tokens of the

treasures that in our hearts we lift to the Lord. God of the nations,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Look with mercy on those whose journeys through the world are

long and who can see no guiding star. Heal those who are sick in

body, mind, or spirit, especially those we remember now...

pause here... Bring them through the hard places until they may set down their burdens and rest. Give grace to all who seek truth and look for answers. Lead them to the feet of Christ. God of the

nations,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We remember those who have died and await your Kingdom where all

journeys end and all worship is fulfilled. As little Bethlehem town was made great by the divine birth, so may those who were humble and disregarded in this world be numbered with the saints in heaven. God

of the nations,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We make our offerings to Christ, who is our King and Priest and

Sacrifice.

All: Amen.

Confession, Absolution, and Peace

Presider: 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.

Silence is kept

All:

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.

Presider: 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.

Presider: May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with your neighbours, respecting their comfort with distance and touch.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offering Hymn

'The First Nowell'
Common Praise 139 (tune the First Nowell)

The first nowell the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay, in fields where they lay keeping their sheep on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Nowell, nowell, nowell, nowell, Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star, shining in the east, beyond them far; and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.

Nowell...

And by the light of that same star three wise men came from country far; to seek for a king was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went.

Nowell...

This star drew nigh to the northwest; o'er Bethlehem it took its rest, and there it did both stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay.

Nowell...

Then entered in those wise men three, full reverently upon their knee, and offered there in his presence their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

Nowell...

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord, who has made heaven and earth of nought, and with his blood salvation bought.

Nowell...

The Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: Let us pray,

All: Gracious God,

Accept the offering of your Church,

The hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving,

In the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

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Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: Blessed are you, gracious God, Creator of heaven and earth; You have revealed your eternal plan of salvation, and have shown your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of all peoples. Therefore with angels and archangels we raise our voices in joyful praise to proclaim the glory of your name:

Sanctus

Common Praise 735 (tune Schubert)

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!

Presider: 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 for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command.

All: We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

Presider: 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

Presider: In the language closest to your heart, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

You are invited to use either the traditional or contemporary version in English or the language you find most helpful for 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 today our daily bread.
Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.
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.

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who
sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil,
for the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen

Agnus Dei

Common Praise 747 (tune Schubert)

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world, Give us your peace, give us your peace.

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, God bids you welcome to this table. Here we are strengthened for the journey. Here strangers become

friends and the seeker finds God's wisdom speaking to them. See who you are and become what you see. These are the gifts of God

for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Communion

You are invited to come forward to receive bread and wine. Gluten-free wafers are available. You receive the fullness of Christ's love if you prefer to take one kind (just the bread or the wine). If you would prefer to have a blessing, please let the priest know.

Hymns During Communion

'Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning' Common Praise 159 (tune Stella Orientis)

Brightest and best of the stars of the morning, Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid: Gem of the East, the horizon adorning, Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining, Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall; Angels adore him in slumber reclining, Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.

Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion, Odours of Edom and offerings divine, Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean, Myrrh from the forest and gold from the mine? Vainly we offer each ample oblation, Vainly with gifts would his favour secure; Richer by far is the heart's adoration, Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

Brightest and best of the stars of the morning, Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid; Gem of the East, the horizon adorning, Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Anthem- HTC Choir 'Still, Still, Still' Arr. Benjamin Sigerson

THE SENDING FORTH OF THE COMMUNITY

The Prayers after Communion

Presider: Let us pray:

All: God of all the nations of the earth,

Guide us with your light.

Help us to recognize Christ as he comes to us

In this eucharist and in our neighbours.

May we welcome him with love,

For he is Lord now and forever. Amen.

Presider: 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, now and forever. Amen.

The Announcements

Sending Hymn

'Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining' Common Praise 460 (tune Shine, Jesus, Shine)

Lord, the light of your love is shining; In the midst of the darkness, shining. Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us; Set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me!

Chorus Shine, Jesus, shine!

Fill this land with the Father's glory!

Blaze, Spirit, blaze! Set our hearts on fire!

Flow, river, flow!

Flood the nations with grace and mercy!

Send forth your word, Lord,

And let there be light!

Lord, I come to your awesome presence;
From the shadows into your radiance.
By the blood I may enter your brightness.
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me!

Chorus

As we gaze on your kingly brightness, So our faces display your likeness. Ever changing from glory to glory, Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me!

Chorus

The Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

The liturgy is based on the Book of Alternative Services, and the Collect of the Day is taken from "Alternative Collects RCL", Anglican Church of Canada. The prayers of the people are adapted from "Hear Our Prayer: Gospel Based Intercessions" by Raymond Chapman.



Liturgical Ministers today

Greeter & worship assistant, 8:00 am: Volunteer

Greeters, 10 am: Volunteer

Reader: Volunteer

Chalice Administrators: Volunteer

Presider & Preacher: the Rev. Michael Deck

Server: Greg Kennelly

Crucifer: Linda Gravlin Music Director: Kyumin Lee

& The Holy Trinity Cathedral Choir

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL

Wednesday Midweek Eucharist, 9:30-10 am in the Lounge Saturday Community Brunch,11 am- noon in the Hall Sunday BCP Eucharist, 8-9 am.*

Sunday Choral Eucharist, 10-11:15 am*

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Readings for Baptism of our Lord, January 11, 2026

Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-17