



ST. ANDREW
ANGLICAN CHURCH

A Creative Spiritual Community

Book of Alternative Services
Holy Eucharist



First Sunday after Christmas
December 28, 2025
10:00 a.m. service

Welcome to St. Andrew's -
all are welcome here.



Sunday Ministries	8:00	10:00
Sidespersons/ Greeters		Kathy / Irene / Dennis
Readers	Catherine Whiteley	Jim Kingham Vicki Huxtable
Intercessor	David Smethurst	Janice Varga
Chalice		Julie Lobb
Coffee		Sandborn
Altar Guild	5	5



Altar Flowers - In memory of our wonderful parents, Nancy & Fred De Luca on the celebration of their wedding Dec 29, 1940. With love, Sandi De Luca and Irene Shaw & family.

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT - We gather on lands which have been the home of SENĆOTEN and HUL'QUMINUM' speaking Coast Salish peoples from time immemorial, and their encounter with the Creator in this place goes before our own.

Opening hymn (JN#255) *Go Tell It On the Mountain*

Refrain *Go tell it on the mountain
over the hills and everywhere
Go tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born*

While shepherds kept their watching
over silent flocks by night
behold throughout the heavens
there shone a h
holy light

Refrain

The shepherds feared and trembled
when lo above the earth
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed the Saviour's birth

Refrain

Down in the lowly manger
our humble Christ was born
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn

The Gathering of the Community

Presider 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.**

Presider 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.

Collect of the Day

Presider Almighty God,
All you have shone upon us the new light of your incarnate Word.
May this light, enkindled in our hearts,
shine forth in our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever.
Amen.

Proclamation of the Word

Reader A reading from Isaiah (63:7-9).

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 148

- ¹ Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise God in the heights.
- ² Praise the Lord all you angels;
sing praises, all you heavenly host.
- ³ Praise the Lord, sun and moon;
sing praises, all you shining stars.
- ⁴ Praise the Lord, heaven of heavens,
sing praises, you waters above the heavens.
- ⁵ Let them praise the name of the Lord;
who gave the command and they were created,
- ⁶ who made them stand fast for ever and ever,
who gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- ⁷ Praise the Lord from the earth,
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- ⁸ fire and hail, snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, doing God's will;
- ⁹ mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars;
- ¹⁰ wild beasts and all cattle,
creeping things and wingèd birds;
- ¹¹ sovereigns of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the world;
- ¹² young men and young women,
old and young together.
- ¹³ Let them praise the name of the Lord,
whose name only is exalted, whose splendour is over earth and heaven.
- ¹⁴ The Lord has raised up strength for this people
and praise for all loyal servants, the children of Israel,
a people who are near to the Lord. Hallelujah!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Reader A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (2:10-18).

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Gradual Hymn (CP#123) ***Once in Royal David's City***

1 Once in royal David's city
stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby
in a manger for his bed.
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little child.

2 He came down to earth from heaven
who is God and Lord of all,
and his shelter was a stable,
and his cradle was a stall.
With the poor and mean and lowly
lived on earth, our Savior holy.

Presider May God be with you.

All And also with you.

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mathew (2:13-23).

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Presider The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual hymn continued

3 Not in that poor lowly stable,
with the oxen standing by,
we shall see him, but in heaven,
set at God's right hand on high,
when, like stars, his children crowned
all in white, shall gather around.

Sermon

The Ven. Penelope Kingham

Christmas Responsory

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are written below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The lyrics are: "An - gels we have heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains, And the moun - tains in re - ply Ech - o back their joy - ous strains. Gló ri - a in ex - celsis De - o. Gló ri - a in ex - celsis De - o." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes, and some rests.

Shepherds why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tiding be
which inspire your heavenly song?
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Come to Bethlehem and see,
him whose birth the angels sing:
come adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the new born king.
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Prayers of the People

The Peace

Presider

The peace of God be always with you.

All

And also with you.

Offertory hymn (CP#145)

Good King Wenceslas

1 Good King Wenceslas looked out
on the Feast of Stephen,
when the snow lay round about,
deep and crisp and even.
Brightly shone the moon that night,
though the frost was cruel,
when a poor man came in sight,
gathering winter fuel.

2 "Hither, page, and stand by me,
if you know it, telling,
yonder peasant, who is he?
Where and what his dwelling?"
"Sire, he lives a good league hence,
underneath the mountain,
right against the forest fence,
by Saint Agnes' fountain."

3 "Bring me flesh and bring me wine,
bring me pine logs hither,
thou and I will see him dine,
when we bear them thither."
Page and monarch, forth they went,
forth they went together,
through the rude wind's wild lament
and the bitter weather.

(continued over)

(Offertory hymn continued)

4 "Sire, the night is darker now,
and the wind blows stronger,
fails my heart, I know not how;
I can go no longer."

"Mark my footsteps, my good page,
tread now in them boldly,
thou shall find the winter's rage
freeze your blood less coldly."

5 In his master's steps he trod,
where the snow lay dinted;
heat was in the very sod
which the saint had printed.
Therefore, Christians all, be sure,
wealth or rank possessing,
ye who now will bless the poor
shall yourselves find blessing.

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider Good and loving God,
All we rejoice in the birth of Jesus, who came among the
poor to bring the riches of your grace. As you have
blessed us with your gifts, let them be a blessing for
others. With the trees of the field, with all earth and
heaven, we shout for joy at the coming of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Presider May God be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to God.

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

Presider It is the joy of our salvation...

Presider ...with loving and joyful hearts.

All ***Sanctus***



Presider Blessed are you, most holy God ...

... from us and all people, here and everywhere.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider

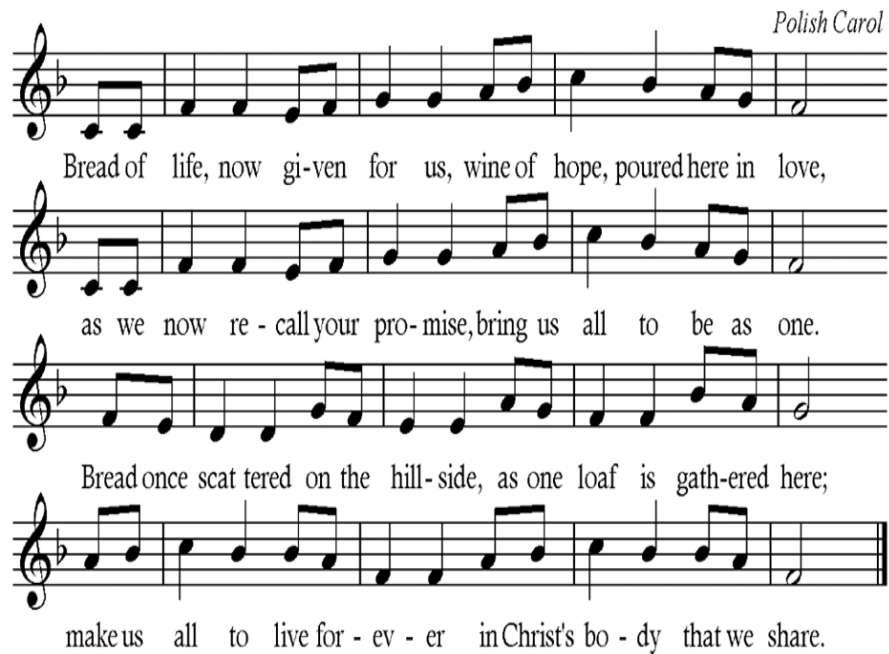
As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

All

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as
in heaven. Give us today 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 for ever. Amen.**

Fraction Anthem

Polish Carol



Bread of life, now gi-ven for us, wine of hope, poured here in love,
as we now re - call your pro - mise, bring us all to be as one.
Bread once scat tered on the hill - side, as one loaf is gath - ered here;
make us all to live for - ev - er in Christ's bo - dy that we share.

The Communion

Presider

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

All

Thanks be to God.

Holy Communion

Communion hymn (CP#146) *'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime*

1 'Twas in the moon of wintertime,
when all the birds had fled,
that mighty Gitchi Manitou
sent angel choirs instead;
before their light the stars grew dim,
and wandering hunters heard the hymn:

Refrain

*Jesus your king is born,
Jesus is born,
in excelsis gloria.*

2 Within a lodge of broken bark
the tender babe was found;
a ragged robe of rabbit skin
enwrapped his beauty round.
But as the hunter braves drew nigh,
the angel song ran loud and high.

Refrain

3 The earliest moon of wintertime
is not so round and fair
as was the ring of glory
on the helpless infant there.
The chiefs from far before him knelt
with gifts of fox and beaver pelt.

Refrain

4 O children of the forest free,
beloved of Manitou,
the holy child of earth and heaven
is born today for you.
Come, kneel before the radiant boy,
who brings you beauty, peace and joy:

Refrain

Communion hymn (CP#120) *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

1 O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by;
yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting light;
the hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.

2 For Christ is born of Mary;
and, gathered all above,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the King,
and peace to all the earth.

3 How silently, how silently
the wondrous gift is given
as love imparts to human hearts
the blessings of God's heaven!
No ear may hear his coming;
but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive him, still
the dear Christ enters in

4 O holy child of Bethlehem,
descend to us, we pray;
cast out our sin and enter in;
be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
our Lord Emmanuel.

Communion hymn (CP#122)

In the Bleak Midwinter

1 In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan,
earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;
snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,
in the bleak midwinter, long ago.

2 Our God, heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain;
heaven and earth shall flee away
when he comes to reign.
In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed
the Lord God almighty, Jesus Christ.

3 Angels and archangels may have gathered there;
cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;
but his mother only in her maiden bliss,
worshipped the beloved with a kiss.

4 What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
if I were a wise one, I would do my part;
yet what I can, I give him – give my heart.

Prayer after Communion

Presider Radiant God,
All with our eyes we have seen your salvation, and in
this meal we have feasted on your grace. May your Word
take flesh in us, so that we may be your holy people,
revealing your glory made known to us in Jesus
Christ, our Saviour and Lord. 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, for ever and ever. Amen.



Closing hymn (CP#154) *Joy to the World*

1 Joy to the world! The Lord is come:
let earth receive the King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and heaven and nature sing.

2 Joy to the earth! The Saviour reigns:
let us glad songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks hill, and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

3 No more let wrongs and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as our sin is found,
far as our sin is found,
far as, far as our sin is found.

4 He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.

Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve our God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Weekly Cycle of Prayer
Sunday, December 28, 2025

In our parish, we pray for Thomas Williams, Barry & Kay Wyckham, Rebecca Yeo, and Jessie Zantvoort.

In our community, we pray for St. Elizabeth's, Sidney and Our Lady of The Assumption, Saanichton, the priest and your faithful People.

In our Region, we pray for the Parish of the Church of the Advent, The Rev. Ingrid Andersen, and the people of the parish and neighborhood.

In our Diocese, we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and Trinity Anglican and Lutheran Church, Port Alberni.

In our Ecclesiastical Province of BC and Yukon, we pray for The Diocese of Yukon as they search for a new Bishop.

In Canada, we pray for Henrieta Paukov, Director, and the staff of General Synod Communications and Information Resources; Amal Attia, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer and the staff of Financial Management and Administration.

In the World, we pray for The Anglican Church of Canada.

Readings for January 4th, 2026



1st Lesson: Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm: 72:1-7, 10-14

Epistle: Ephesians 3:1-12

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

***** This Week at a Glance *****
(December 28, 2025 – January 4, 2026)

Sunday	December 28 th 2025 - First Sunday after Christmas 8:00 am Holy Communion BCP 10:00 am Holy Eucharist BAS
Monday	10:00 am Labyrinth walk 1:30 pm Friends of St. Andrew delivery Office closed.
Tuesday	3:30 pm Friendship Circle
Wednesday	2:00 pm Zoom Prayer Gathering <i>(Please contact the church office for the link)</i> Office closed.
Thursday	New Year's Day 11:30 am Brunch Bunch Office closed.
Friday	1:30 pm Friends of St. Andrew delivery Office reopens: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Saturday	11:30 am Brunch Bunch
Sunday	January 4 th 2026 - Epiphany of the Lord 8:00 am Holy Communion BCP 10:00 am Holy Eucharist BAS



Quarterly Mission
January - March 2026
Aboriginal Coalition to End Homelessness

Announcements

WELCOME TO VISITORS TO ST. ANDREW - Would you like to receive a tax receipt for your offering (over \$20)? Please pick up an offering envelope from the plastic stand on the credenza at the entrance to the church. It is so lovely to have you at church today.

COUGH, COLD, FLU, COVID SEASON PROTOCOLS AT ST ANDREW'S -If you feel at all unwell, please do not come to church. If you are able, consider joining in the livestream of the 10am Sunday morning service through the web-site here: <https://www.standrewssidney.ca/blog> until you have recovered. If you feel that you may be coming down with something but aren't entirely sure, please wear a mask to church. Thank you for thinking of the vulnerable and immuno-compromised members of our community!

VESTRY REPORTS - If you chair or lead a ministry at St Andrew's, please submit your report for the 2025 Annual Report on or before Monday, January 25th at noon in the office (admin@standrewssidney.ca). Thank you!

STELLY'S MUSIC THEATRE IS PERFORMING DISNEY'S DESCENDANTS THIS JANUARY! - Tickets are available through the Stelly's Performing Arts website (<https://sites.google.com/sd63.bc.ca/stellys-performing-arts/home>), the school office, or using the QR code on the poster in the hall. Shows are January 15-17 at 7pm and January 17-18 at 1pm and the cost is \$18 / ticket. Doors open 30 minutes before the show. Hope to see you there!



HEARING LOSS INFO SESSION AT SHOAL

 January 5th  10:00 – 11:00 AM  \$5 Registration Fee

Join us for an inspiring introductory presentation with **Gael Hannan**, internationally recognized author and advocate for hearing health. This is a great opportunity to learn, share, and connect with others living with hearing loss. Complimentary coffee and cookies will be served!

For more information or to register for this event, please contact the SHOAL reception by email or phone.

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Psalm 148

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