## St. Thomas Anglican Church

Sets its heart toward being a Christian home that welcomes, encourages, and seeks to inspire all people.

## Sunday, December 28, 2025 – 9:30 am



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Service Times: Weekday Service: Morning Prayer – Wed @ 10:00 AM

Sunday Service: Holy Eucharist – Sundays @ 9:30 AM God's Garden: Sundays @ 9:30 AM (Ages 4-12)

## First Sunday After Christmas: Service of Carols and Lessons

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

~Colossians 3:15-16

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Carol: O Come, All You Faithful

1st Reading: *Genesis 3:8–15,17–19* 

Dave Dallaway

God tells sinful Adam that he has lost the life of Paradise and that his seed will bruise the serpent's head.

Silence Prayer

Carol: In the Bleak Mid Winter

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: *Genesis 22:15–18* 

Diane Clement

God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.

Silence Prayer

Carol: 'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime

3<sup>rd</sup> Reading: *Isaiah* 9:2, 6–7

John Bottriell

The Prophet foretells the coming of the Saviour

Silence Prayer

Carol: See Amid the Winter's Snow

4th Reading: *Isaiah 11:1*–9

Moira Reade

Susan Boutilier

Isaiah foreshadows the Peace that Christ, the Prince of Peace, brings.

Silence Prayer

Carol: Silent Night

5<sup>th</sup> Reading: *Luke 1:26–35, 38* Merilee Clarke or Michael Agyen Frimpong

The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Silence Prayer

Carol: O Little Town of Bethlehem

6th Reading: Luke 2:1–7

St. Luke Recounts the story of Jesus' birth.

Silence Prayer

Offertory Carol: Away in a Manger

7<sup>th</sup> Reading: *Luke 2:8–16* Maureen Anderson

The Shepherds go to the manger.

Silence Prayer

Carol: While Shepherds Watched

8th Reading: *Matthew 2:1–12* Judy Dallaway

The star leads the wise men to Jesus.

Silence Prayer

Carol: We Three Kings

9th Reading: **John 1:1–14** Andrew Hall

St. John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation

Silence Prayer

Offertory Carol: Angels We Have Heard on High

Almighty God, you wonderfully created and yet more wonderfully restored our human nature. May we share the divine life of your Son Jesus Christ, who humbled himself to share our humanity, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

With joy in our hearts, let us gather our prayers in the words our Saviour taught us:

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.

Announcements

## Blessing:

The Lord bless us and keep us.

The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us.

The Lord look upon us with favour and grant us peace. Amen.

Postlude: Hark the Herald

Thank you to the Altar Guild for your quiet and thoughtful ministry in preparing this sacred space for our worship. Thank you to all helping today.