



## **4pm Sunday January 4 2026 Epiphany. Holy Communion**

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### **We Gather as a Community**

*As we gather, we acknowledge that Ottawa stands on the unceded traditional territory of the Algonquin Anishinabeg people.*

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

**And also with you.**

Almighty God,  
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

## **Song - Praise**

### *Intro*

Let everything that has breath  
Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord

### *Verse 1*

I'll praise in the valley  
Praise on the mountain  
I'll praise when I'm sure  
Praise when I'm doubting  
I'll praise in the silence,  
Praise through the trials  
The lord is my shepherd  
He walks right beside me

### *Pre-Chorus*

As long as I'm breathing  
I've got a reason to

### *Chorus 1*

Praise the Lord oh my soul  
Praise the Lord oh my soul

### *Verse 2*

I'll praise when I feel it  
And I'll praise when I don't  
I'll praise 'cause I know  
You're guiding me home  
My praise is a strength  
It's more than a sound  
My praise is the shout  
That brings Jericho down

### *Chorus 2*

Praise the Lord oh my soul  
Praise the Lord oh my soul  
I won't be quiet, My God is alive  
How could I keep it inside  
Praise the Lord oh my soul

### *Bridge*

I'll praise 'cause you're sovereign  
My life you sustain  
Praise 'cause you rose, over all you will reign  
I'll praise cause you're faithful  
Praise 'cause you're true  
Ponder anew what almighty can do  
(Repeat)

### *Chorus 3*

Praise the Lord oh my soul  
Praise the Lord oh my soul  
(Repeat)  
I won't be quiet, My God is alive  
How could I keep it inside  
(Repeat 2x)

### *Ending*

Let everything that has breath  
Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord

## **Song - Reign Above It All**

### *Verse 1*

The reign of darkness now has ended  
In the kingdom of light  
In the kingdom of light  
Forever under Your dominion  
You're the King of my life  
You're the King of my life

### *Chorus 1*

You reign above it all

You reign above it all  
Over the universe  
And over every heart  
There is no higher name  
Jesus You reign above it all

#### *Verse 2*

On the cross the work was finished  
God You poured out Your life  
Just to give us new life  
Now from the lips of the forgiven  
Hear an anthem arise  
'Cause Jesus You're alive

#### *Chorus 2*

Let all of heaven  
And the earth erupt in song  
Sing hallelujah to the Everlasting One  
There is no higher name  
Jesus You reign above it all

#### *Bridge*

You sent the darkness running  
Out of an empty grave  
Now seated alone in glory  
Enthroned on the highest praise

### **We Proclaim the Word**

Let us pray.  
(*we pray in silence*)

Almighty and everliving 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.**

**Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6**

Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.  
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.  
Nations shall come to your light  
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

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 in their nurses' arms.  
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.  
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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church  
**Thanks be to God**

**The Gospel: Matthew 2.1-12**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, magi from the east came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star in the east and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him, and calling together all the chief priests and scribes

of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it has been written by the prophet:

'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.' "

Then Herod secretly called for the magi and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then 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." When they had heard the king, they set out, and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen in the east, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On 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. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**Reflection: Rev. Mark Whittall**

**Open Space**

*A time of prayer, reflection, and conversation*

**Song - Son Of Suffering**

*Verse 1*

Oh the perfect Son of God  
In all His innocence  
Here walking in the dirt with you and me  
He knows what living is  
He's acquainted with our grief  
A man of sorrows Son of suffering

*Chorus*

Blood and tears how can it be  
That there's a God who weeps  
There's a God who bleeds  
Oh praise the One  
Who would reach for me  
Hallelujah to the Son of suffering

*Verse 2*

Some imagine You are distant and removed  
But You chased us down in merciful pursuit  
To the sinner You were grace  
And the broken You embraced  
And in the end the proof is in Your wounds  
Yes in the end the proof is in Your wounds

*Bridge 1*

Your cross my freedom  
Your stripes my healing  
All praise King Jesus  
Glory to God in Heaven  
Your blood still speaking  
Your love still reaching  
All praise King Jesus  
Glory to God forever

*Tag 1*

Glory to God forever  
Glory to God forever  
Glory to God forever  
(Glory to God forever)

**A Time of Prayer**

In joy and humility let us pray to the creator of the universe,  
saying, "Lord, grant us peace."

By the good news of our salvation brought to Mary by the  
angel, hear us, O Lord.

**Lord, grant us peace.**

By the mystery of the Word made flesh, hear us, O Lord.

**Lord, grant us peace.**

By the birth in time of the timeless Son of God, hear us, O Lord.

**Lord, grant us peace.**

By the manifestation of the King of glory to the shepherds and magi, hear us, O Lord.

**Lord, grant us peace.**

By the submission of the maker of the world to Mary and Joseph of Nazareth, hear us, O Lord.

**Lord, grant us peace.**

By the baptism of the Son of God in the river Jordan, hear us, O Lord.

**Lord, grant us peace.**

Grant that the kingdoms of this world may become the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; hear us, O Lord.

**Lord, grant us peace.**

### **The Peace**

May God's peace be with you

**And also with you.**

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

Celebrant: May God 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.**

Blessed are you, gracious God,  
creator of heaven and earth,  
because in the mystery of the Word made flesh  
you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts,  
to give knowledge of salvation  
in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Now with angels and archangels  
and the whole company of heaven,  
we lift our voices  
to proclaim the glory of your name.



**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes, comes in the name of the Lord.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name,  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you . . .  
... Therefore Father, according to his command,

**we remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory;**

And we offer . . .  
Now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

(please use the words and language of your choice)

**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.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.  
**God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

The gifts of God for the People of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **The Communion**

*All are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing or communion. Our communion ministers will come to you as needed, please let us know. You are welcome to receive communion in one or both kinds, bread and/or wine. Gluten-free wafers are available, let us know if this is your preference. Please do not dip the bread in the wine.*

## **We Are Sent**

Let us pray.

Creator of the heavens,  
**who led the Magi by a star  
to worship the Christ-child:  
guide and sustain us,  
so that we may find our journey's end  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Song - Fear Is Not My Future**

### *Verse 1*

Let Him turn it in your favor  
Watch Him work it for your good  
He's not done with what He's started  
He's not done until it's good

### *Chorus 1*

Hello Peace  
Hello Joy  
Hello Love  
Hello Strength  
Hello Hope  
It's a new horizon

### *Verse 2*

If you're ready for a breakthrough  
Just open up and just receive  
'Cause what He's pouring out is nothing  
You've ever seen You've ever seen

### *Bridge*

Fear is not my future  
You are You are  
Sickness is not my story  
You are You are  
Heartbreak's not my home  
You are You are  
Death is not the end  
You are You are

### **Announcements:**

#### **Saturday, 31 January: Out from the Cold Dinner:**

As per past years, Trinity Anglican Church members will once again be responsible for making and hosting the Out From the Cold Dinner at Southminster United Church at 15 Aylmer Street near Bank on the afternoon of Saturday 31 January. If you are interested to volunteer to help make this dinner possible, please sign up via this [google form](#) or at the back of the Church or by contacting Carol McQueen at [carolvmcqueen@yahoo.com](mailto:carolvmcqueen@yahoo.com). The Out from the Cold Dinner offers all volunteers a chance to make a difference and to welcome someone inside from the cold for a warm meal. You can sign up for a specific task and time, including to set up, cook, serve, clean up or engage in conversations with the guests. Taking part is also a very positive way to connect with other members of the Trinity Congregation.

*Thanks for joining us today. We love hearing from you.*



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