

**December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016**  
*Fourth Sunday of Advent*

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**Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St Paul!**  
**Worship is crucial to a healthy relationship with God.**  
**May you be uplifted by your experience here today, and may you**  
**experience the presence of Christ in this community of faith.**

For those wishing to receive the **Ministry of the Laying on of Hands and Anointing for Healing**, please proceed to the station in the north west corner of Cronyn Hall before you receive communion.

During the 10:00 am Eucharist **Nursery facilities** will be available in Rooms 203/204. Sunday School Classes following the *Godly Play* curriculum take place in Room 202. Please speak to a Greeter if you need help.

**Gluten-free communion wafers** are available for all who wish it for medical reasons. Please indicate your wish to the Administrant at Communion.

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**8:00 a.m. – Eucharist**  
*in St Aidan's Chapel*

***Presiding Celebrant:***  
**The Rt. Rev'd Barry B. Clarke**

The service can be followed in  
*The Book of Common Prayer*  
beginning on page 67.

The Collect for The Fourth Sunday  
in Advent– BCP p. 102  
The Reading: Romans 1:1–7  
**Pew Bible, New Testament p. 116**  
The Gospel: Matthew 1:18–25  
**Pew Bible, New Testament p. 1**

**After the service please come for coffee  
in the Assembly Room.**

# 10:00 a.m. – Choral Eucharist

*Presiding Celebrant: The Rev'd Dr. Virginia C. Lane*

**Announcements: The Work of the Community**

**Setting** *Communion Service in F*

Charles Wood

**Advent Prose**



Drop down ye hea-vens from a - bove,  
and let the skies pour down right-eous - ness.

**Processional Hymn** *Hark the Glad Sound! The Saviour Comes*

See Hymn Sheet

## GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*Presider:* Praise God! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns  
*All:* **Let us rejoice and be glad and give him the glory.**

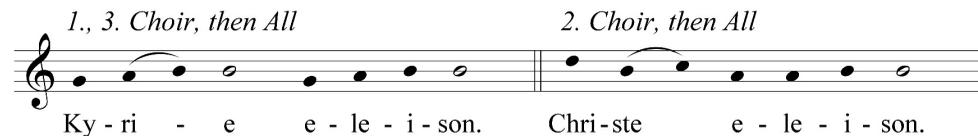
*Presider:* Jesus Christ the light of the world has come to dispel the darkness of our hearts,  
In his light let us examine ourselves and confess our sins.

*All:* **Lord our God.  
In our sin we have avoided your call.  
Our love for you is like the morning cloud  
like the dew that goes away early.**

**Have mercy on us;  
deliver us from judgement;  
bind up our wounds and revive us;  
In Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Kyrie**

*Lodovico da Viadana  
(arr. Proulx)*



1., 3. Choir, then All      2. Choir, then All  
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.      Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

*Presider:* May the God of love and power  
forgive you and free you from your sins,  
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit  
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

*All:* **Amen.**

## **Lighting of the Advent Candle**

*Presider:* Today we light the first, second, third and fourth candles of the Advent wreath. Each candle has a meaning. The first candle is HOPE, the second candle is PEACE, the third candle is JOY, and the fourth candle is LOVE.

*The Advent candle is lit today by the children.*

*Presider:* We are Jesus' disciples in the world today. Jesus wants us to love others as he did.

*All:* **This candle reminds us of God's Love, and of how we are to show God's love by loving one another.**

*Presider:* Jesus said to them, I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.  
**John 13:34**

## Collect of the Day

*Presider:* Let us pray.

Loving God, who chose the Virgin Mary, full of grace, to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour, now fill us with your grace, that we in all things may embrace your will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People:* **Amen.**

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

*Please sit*

**First Reading** Isaiah 7:10–16

read by Lise Whealy

**Psalm 80: 1-7, 16-18**



Show the light\_ of your coun-ten-ance, and we\_\_ shall be saved.

**Second Reading** Romans 1:1–7

read by Ken Lumpkin

**Gradual Hymn** *O Day of God, Draw Nigh*

See Hymn Sheet

**Gospel** Matthew 1:18–25

proclaimed by The Rev'd Deacon Pat Henderson

*After the Gospel Acclamation has been sung, the Gospeller will sing or say:*

*Reader:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

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

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*At the conclusion:*

*Reader:* The Gospel of Christ.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Homily** The Rt Rev'd Barry B. Clarke

*Please sit*

**Nicene Creed**

*Please stand*

*Presider:* Let us confess our faith, as we say,

*All:* **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

led by Trudy Warren

*Leader:* Lord Jesus, come soon.

*People:* **Lord Jesus, come soon.**

*At the conclusion:*

*Leader:* God of steadfast love,  
*People:* **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Peace**

*Please stand*

*Presider:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People:* **And also with you.**

**Offertory Hymn** *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

**See Hymn Sheet**

## CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

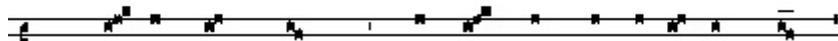
### **Prayer over the Gifts**

*Presider:* Gracious God, by the power of the Spirit who sanctified the mother of your Son, make holy all we offer you this day. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.  
*People:* **Amen.**

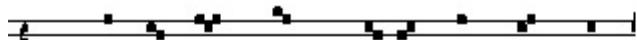
### **Great Thanksgiving**



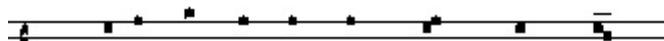
The Lord be with you. And also with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them up unto the Lord.



Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Presider:* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh, and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world, that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

### **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

*sung by the Cathedral Choir*

*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 and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, loving God, 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.

*People:* **Amen.**

### Lord's Prayer

*Presider:*   
As our Saviour taught us let us pray,

*All:*



Our Fa-ther in heav - en hal - lowed be your name,  
your king - dom come, your will be done on earth as in heav - en.  
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread,  
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and de - li - ver us from e - vil.  
For the king - dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry are yours,  
now and for e - ver. A - men.

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### Breaking of the Bread

*Presider:* God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

*People:* **Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.**

*Presider:* The gifts of God for the People of God.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### Communion Antiphon

*(sung by the Cathedral Choir)*

*Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son: and his name shall be called Emmanuel.*

### Lamb of God

*(sung by the Cathedral Choir)*



# Upcoming Events and Announcements

## Services

**Morning Prayer** Mon., Tues., Thurs. & Fri. in St. Aidan's Chapel 8:45 a.m.

**Wednesday, December 21** 8:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
12:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist  
7:30 p.m. Taizé Evening Prayer for Advent

## CHRISTMAS EVE - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

**4:00 p.m. – Children’s Christmas Pageant and Holy Eucharist**  
**7:30 p.m. – Christmas Sung Holy Eucharist**  
**11:00 p.m. – Christmas Choral Holy Eucharist**

## CHRISTMAS DAY - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

**10:00 a.m. - Choral Holy Eucharist**

**Sunday, January 1, 2017** 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
10:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist

## This Week’s Events

**Today - Sunday, December 18** 8:00 p.m. Al-Anon, Alateen  
and Narcotics Anonymous

**Monday, December 19** 7:30 p.m. Recovery thru 11<sup>th</sup> Step

**Thursday, December 21** 5:00 p.m. Parish Council  
5:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous  
7:00 p.m. Adult Children of Alcoholics Support Group

**Follow us on Twitter!** Follow@CathedralSave to learn more about Project Jericho

**Taizé Evening Prayer for Advent** Immerse yourself in the unfolding mystery that is the Advent season, and join us at Taizé style worship service on Wednesday evening December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 pm in Cronyn Hall. Incense will be used at this service.

**Cathedral Christmas Office Hours** – The Cathedral office will be closed December 23 and reopen at 9 am on Tuesday, January 3.

**2016 Income Tax Year End Donations** – Donations for 2016 will close on January 5, 2017. Please date your cheque for December 31, 2016 to make sure it is counted towards your 2016 tax receipt. There will be someone at the cathedral on Thursday, December 29 from 9:00am-1:00pm if you wish to drop your donation in before the end of the year. Please ring the doorbell.

**2017 Offering Envelopes** – are in alphabetical order in the Assembly Room. Please let us know if you would like envelopes. We would be happy to provide you with a new 2017 set and your very own envelope number.

**Bible Study** – Engage with the epic narratives, inspiring characters, and timeless themes of the Bible in a new way. Beginning Thursday, January 5th at 2 p.m. in the Guild Room a new study will offer a book-by-book analysis of the Bible from the fascinating perspective of literature and narrative. A “Great Courses” DVD, Reading Biblical Literature: Genesis to Revelation, featuring Professor Craig Koester, will give you an unforgettably vivid sense of the Bible filled with complex characters, hidden meanings, and powerful life lessons. Please join us.

**Cans for Flower Ministry** We are in need of large juice cans for flower delivery to our seniors and shut-ins. If you’re able to help, please drop off your empty, but clean, cans to the Cathedral Office. We use these cans as vases so we can deliver a couple of floral arrangements after service on Sundays. It’s our way to let our parishioners know we’re thinking about them.

**Nominations are Open.** Nominations for Warden, Lay Delegate to Synod, Parish Council, and the Woodland Cemetery Advisory Board are now open. Nominations will remain open until our Annual Vestry meeting on Sunday, February 26, 2017. More information about how to nominate yourself or someone else, along with role descriptions for these leadership positions, will be available in early January 2017.

***Vestry reports – advanced notice.*** For those of you who need to submit reports for our annual vestry meeting, they are due to Carrie in the Office no later than noon on Friday, January 20, 2017. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to one of the wardens.