

Advent 2A

December 4, 2022 – 10:30am.



OUR VISION

*We, at Holy Trinity, Guildwood are a
Caring, Open-Hearted Community who Dream, Pray and
Work with Jesus for a Loving, Equitable and Peaceful World.*

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Welcome to Holy Trinity, Guildwood

At Holy Trinity, Guildwood, we welcome all who come to worship with us. Though we are people of diverse background, lifestyle, and opinion, we are one in our desire to follow Jesus Christ. We seek to live as diversity in unity, offering a community in which we can all grow together as one Body: God's Church. We hope the order of service will help you find your way, but feel free to ask your neighbour for help. We are truly pleased that you have chosen to worship with us.



Holy Communion: All are welcome in this church and at this altar. All baptized persons, including children, are invited to receive the bread and wine at Christ's table. Those not receiving communion may wish to receive a blessing. Simply cross your hands over your chest to indicate you are not receiving communion. The Anglican Church supports the ancient use of the common cup. Those receiving the chalice are asked to assist the chalice bearer by grasping the cup at the base and guiding the cup to their lips. **For health purposes the practice of intinction, dipping the bread into the wine, is discouraged.** If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please feel free to receive the bread only. Simply cross your hands over your chest when the chalice bearer passes by to indicate you do not wish the wine. The ancient teaching is that the whole Christ is received whether one receives only the consecrated bread or both bread and wine. Please come forward (should you wish) to the altar rail, at the indication of the sides person (usher) to fill the altar rail from the outside in. Those with mobility concerns may also receive Holy Communion while remaining in place, please notify a sides person (usher).

Children are always welcome at Holy Trinity - On Sundays, children are invited to take part in the wonderful age-appropriate activities offered by Church School downstairs in the church hall during the Liturgy of the Word, after which they return upstairs to join in the Celebration of the Eucharist. Parents are always welcome to join their children for some or all of the time downstairs. For more information, contact Denise Byard – Lay Pastoral Associate at 416-261-9503 or denise@trinityguildwood.org. Children are always welcome to join in the fun and adventure of growing in Christ.

**As you are invited to stand or sit,
please feel free to do as best fits your health, comfort and circumstances.**

Please silence your cell phones.

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Prelude

The Gathering of the Community

Gathering Hymn #106 – There’s a Voice in the Wilderness

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Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Today we honour and acknowledge that this land and locality is the historical traditional lands of the Indigenous Peoples of what we call Turtle Island and what is commonly called North America.

We acknowledge the leadership of Indigenous Elders, who continue to teach us about what it means to live in a balanced and good way with all creation. May our time of worship together be blessed, as we give respect to the First Peoples of this land and seek to live in right relationship with ourselves, Creator, and one another.

We pray that the Spirit will lead us into all truth, into repentance for the wrongs of the past and into true reconciliation with our Indigenous brothers and sisters that we may be partners in healing and peace, to the glory and thanksgiving of God our Creator.

The Gathering of the Community

Greeting and Advent Wreath Candle Lighting

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

All **And also with you.**

Aviyah On this second Sunday of Advent we hear stories
 of the dreams and longings of God’s people.
 The Hebrew people dreamed of a king
 who would rule with justice and peace.
 The apostle Paul had a dream that all people would belong to God.
 John the Baptist invited people to dream with him
 about the coming of God’s reign.

Denise We share these dreams that can lead to life-changing action.

Josiah God’s people have long dreamed of the coming of peace,
 justice and faithfulness to God’s ways.
 In our own time we dream of equality and good life for everyone.
 Such dreams come from God and inspire us
 to work for justice and peace.

Denise With John the Baptist we dream of making crooked paths straight,
of making a smooth highway, broad enough for all God's people
to move on together in peace and harmony.

Isaiah Our actions can help build that highway.
God's dream of peace can become our dream.

Denise The flame of this second candle reminds us
that just as candles can be given a flame,
so God's dreams can become real in our world.

Isaiah lights the second blue candle.

Presider Jesus Christ is the light of the word.

All **A light no darkness can extinguish.**

All **May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace
in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.**

As the young people go out to Sunday School, we sing

All Sing **Peace is a ribbon that circles the earth,
giving a promise of safety and worth.
When God is a child there's joy in our song.
The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,
and none shall be afraid.**

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The Collect of the Day please remain standing

Almighty God,
who sent your servant John the Baptist
to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah,
Give us a spirit of repentance
that we may be ready for your Reign.
Let complacency yield to conviction,
that in our day justice will flourish
and conflict give way to the peace
you bestow in Christ,

Grant this through him whose coming is certain,
whose day draws near;
your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word *please sit for the readings*

Voices from Scripture: John the Baptist and Isaiah

First Reading

Isaiah 11:1-110

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding,

the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader Listen for the leading of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 - Every Nation on Earth

Refrain

Ev - 'ry na - tion on earth will a - dore you Lord.

To verses

Ev - 'ry na - tion on earth will a - dore you!

Coda Repeat ad lib. Final ending

Ev - 'ry na - tion on earth will a - dore you Lord!

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Second Reading

Romans 15:4-13

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to

rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reader Listen for the leading of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation #107 – Prepare the Way

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Please stand

Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

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.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Reverend Canon Brad Lennon

Silence for reflection

Our Response to the Word

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

Please feel free to sit, kneel (or stand) - however you are most comfortable to pray.

*Prayers are offered for the church, all in authority, the world,
the local community, those in need, and the departed.*

John the Baptist calls on us to prepare a way for the Lord and in that spirit we now pray, saying, "Lord, inspire us to prepare your way".

Lord, inspire us to prepare your way.

May the Lord open our eyes to see his coming into our lives this Advent;
may he open a pathway into our hearts.

Lord, inspire us to prepare your way.

May the Lord bring us a new awareness of the person he wants each of us to be;
may he help us grow in goodness.

Lord, inspire us to prepare your way.

We pray for the church...

May we have the boldness of John the Baptist
in inviting others to support and share
in our vision of preparing a better world.

Lord, inspire us to prepare your way.

We pause in silence, each of us,
to think of somebody whom we will keep in our heart during Advent
and invite to church to share in the joy and hope that is Christmas.

[Silence]

We give thanks for all people like John the Baptist,
who challenge the hypocrisy and injustice in society.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the World ...

for Canada . . .

for a society where all, are treated with dignity and respect and where honesty,
openness, inclusivity, compassion, courage,
fairness and equality are embraced by all.

May the Lord come with hope into the sorrows of our world;
with harmony into the violence of our world;
with integrity into the corruption of our world.

Lord, inspire us to prepare your way.

We pray for the sick and those in need ...

We pray for people who are struggling.

We hope that they won't give up
and that they will feel God's supporting hand.

Lord, inspire us to prepare your way.

We pray for all who have died...

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord,

And let light perpetual shine upon them

We offer these prayers with hearts full of expectation of the coming of Christ,
who is our Lord and Saviour, now and forever. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

*Confession lets us set down the heavy things we carry with us,
Putting us in right relationship with one another and with God.*

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The Peace *please stand*
Presider The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The ministers and people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Please subscribe to, like, and share our Holy Trinity Guildwood YouTube Channel.

To receive Together@Trinity please send us your email address.

*Highlights – 60th Gala Thank Yous; Online Christmas Silent Auction;
Christmas Concert; and Christmas Services.*

*Holy Trinity Guildwood's ministries are supported by the prayers, time, energy, and
financial gifts of those who worship with us. Your donation makes a difference.*

Thank you for your generous support.

The Celebration of the Eucharist *please stand*

Offertory Hymn #89 – O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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*While the hymn is sung, a collection is taken. If you are new to our community, please don't
feel you have to put something in the plate. We're just glad to have you here worshipping
with us. The bread and wine, the offerings of the people, are then brought forward and
received.*

Prayer over the Gifts *please stand*

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer 3

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Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.



Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the



high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the



name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -



san - na, ho - san - na in the high-est.

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The Lord's Prayer
The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Creator of all,
you gave us golden fields of wheat,
whose many grains we have gathered
and made into this one bread.

All **So may your Church be gathered
from the ends of the earth
into your kingdom.**

The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the



world, have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the



world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Everyone is welcome
to receive communion.



You may receive both
bread and wine, or just
the bread, if you wish.



Cross your arms to
receive a blessing instead.



Communion can be
brought to you if needed:
just ask a sidesperson.

Communion Hymn – People of the Night

1. We are your peo - ple of the night,
 2. For in our win - ter we are dead,
 3. You wait for us, you are our choice,
 4. Give us new faith, give us the joy,

We long to see your new - born light,
 Lead us in hope to see a - head The
 The liv - ing word; the sav - ing voice.
 As we a - wait your Son, the Lord.

Dis - tant glim - mer; ris - ing from a - far.
 spring-time and the gift that is to come.
 Break the si - lence, lis - ten to our call.
 In our pres - ence, child born of your breath,

We a - wait you, ho - ly morn - ing star.
 Come and save us, be God's on - ly Son.
 Be our an - swer, new life for us all.
 Sav - ior broth - er; life that shat - ters death.

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The Sending Forth of the Community

Prayer after Communion

please stand

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Blessing

Time with the Young at Heart - A Visit from St. Nicholas

Jolly Old St Nicholas

Jolly Old St Nicholas
 On this happy day
 You bring
 joy and happiness,
 Hear us as we say,
 Teach us how to be like you
 Loving, showing care;
 Sharing gifts, we celebrate
 Joy beyond compare.

Public Domain

Each December we await,
 Come without delay,
 Saint of children
 everywhere,
 On your festive day.
 You love people
 far and near;
 Help us to prepare
 For a Christmas
 filled with joy,
 Saint, now hear our prayer.

Bethlehem,
 the star shines bright,
 Lead us, Saint, today,
 To the Holy City where
 Christ, the child, is laid.
 As we see you
 kneeling there
 We adore and say,
 May the joys of
 Christmas night
 Cheer our world today.

Dismissal

Dear Guest/Visitor:

Thank you for worshipping with us today; you have enriched our community, and we hope the service held meaning and beauty for you. If you will be returning to a distant home, we wish you the Lord's grace and a safe journey. However, if you live anywhere near us, and you are not an involved member of a faith community and might be seeking one, we invite you to return here any Sunday so that we may continue to worship with and respond to you. Please visit us on the web at www.trinityguildwood.org and to take one of our welcome brochures to learn more about opportunities for personal spiritual growth and service to others.

Five Marks of Mission

- To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
- To teach, baptize and nurture new believers
- To respond to human need by loving service
- To seek to transform unjust structures of society,
to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation
- To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

(These five Marks of Mission are a framework used to describe and encourage ministry throughout the worldwide Anglican Communion. Some churches abbreviate the five marks to five words: TELL – TEACH – TEND – TRANSFORM – TREASURE.)

Christmas Flowers

Each year at Christmas, the sanctuary of Holy Trinity Guildwood is decorated by the Altar Guild with Christmas flowers. If you would like to make a donation towards these flowers, in memory of loved ones or to honour a person or occasion, please use the envelope provided. You may also donate in your usual way, designating the donation be directed to the General Fund and specify "Christmas Flowers" and the name of the person who is being honoured.





The Church of Holy Trinity, Guildwood presents

2022 Christmas

Concert

In-Person and streamed to YouTube

December 18 @ 4:00PM

Featuring

Evan Desaulnier
on Guitar

Jennifer Burford
on Violin

Tim Francom
on Drums

Malinda Carroll



John Amato



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Holy Trinity, Guildwood's

2022 Christmas Services

The Best Christmas Gift Isn't Under the Christmas Tree



Family Service | 7 P.M. | Saturday, December 24
Candlelight Service | 11 P.M. | Saturday, December 24
Christmas Day | 10:30 A.M. | Sunday, December 25

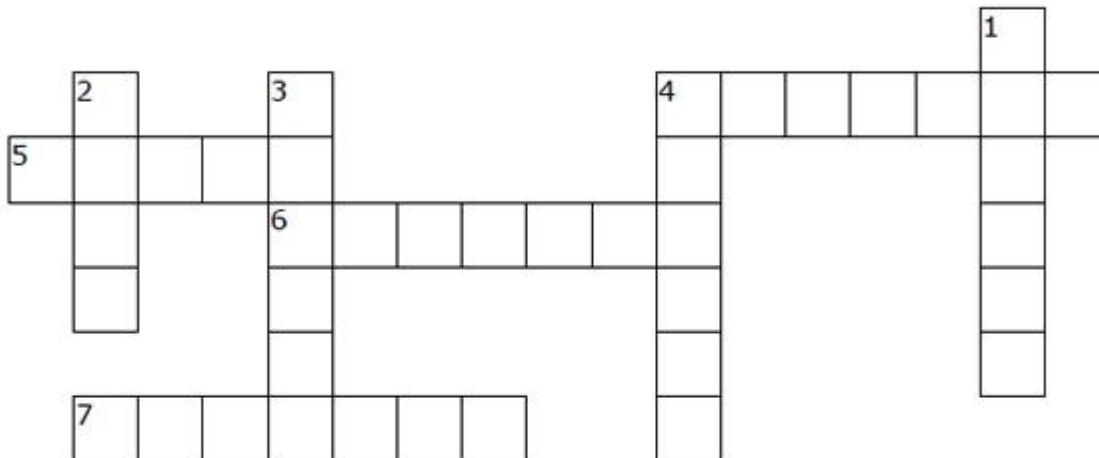
Ready for the Christ of Christmas

In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." Matthew 3:1 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 3:1-12



JOHN THE BAPTIST



ACROSS

4. One who speaks for God, or tells what will happen in the future
5. The sounds that are made when people speak or sing
6. To get ready for something that is going to happen
7. What John did to people in the Jordan River

DOWN

1. An area where there is little rain and not many plants
2. The man who preached that Jesus was coming
3. To be sorry for something bad you have done and make a change
4. To deliver a sermon

VOICE
REPENT

PREPARE
JOHN

DESERT
PREACH

PROPHET
BAPTIZE

The Propers (Collect, Prayer over the Gifts and Prayer after Communion) for Advent 2 are found on pages 269-70.

This Week, in our Cycle of Prayers for the Church, we remember:

The Wider Church: the bishops, clergy and the church of The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & the Middle East; Project Ploughshares; Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Linda, our Primate; Sidney, our interim National Indigenous Bishop; Anne, Our Metropolitan; Andrew, our Diocesan Bishop; Kevin, our area Bishop and Diversity Officer.

Social Justice:

We celebrate experiences of restoration of broken relationships. We pray for a deepening of understanding and solidarity among all people of African descent. **

Our Parish family of Holy Trinity:

Edward Badley; Sydney & Debbie Baxter-Dennis; Malika Benoit.

For those Celebrating Birthdays: Joanne Cook and Sharon Sadler.

Ministry@Trinity: Flo Schwerdtner, John Hetherington, and Michael Johnson, our Property Management Team.

For our priests – Stephen, Harold and Ravi.

For the sick, the shut-in and those in need, for any known to you:

Alf, Callender Family, Diane, Ed, Freda, Isobel, Jeffrey, John, Karen, Mark, Nancy, Ray, Ruth, Scott, Wanda, Wendy; Colleen, Jackulin, Maureen, Richard.

For those who have died: David and Frank Knautz.

The flowers this week are given by

*Ravi Kalison in
loving memory of his father David.*

*Shirley Knautz and her children in
loving memory of Frank Knautz.*

***United Nations Decade for people of African descent.*

Second Sunday in



Assisting in Worship are:

<i>Presider</i>	The Reverend Canon Stephen Kirkegaard
<i>Preacher</i>	The Reverend Canon Brad Lennon
<i>Lay Assistant</i>	Cathy Mathews
<i>Readers</i>	Michael Cooksey and Barrie Morgan
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Cathy Mathews, Maureen Vasey, Penny Case
<i>Welcome</i>	Lisa-Marie Daniel
<i>Music Director</i>	Myron de Souza
<i>Video Director</i>	Brian Provo

**Readings for
Next Sunday
December 11, 2022
(Advent 3)**
Isaiah 35:1-10
Psalm 146:4-6 Canticle
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11

How to contact us

Stephen & Denise enjoy getting together for conversations about life, faith, and spirituality, in addition to responding to pastoral questions and concerns. They'd be delighted to meet with you in person or via Facetime, Zoom or telephone - whatever would suit you best.

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