

## 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*

***Third Sunday of Advent (3C)***

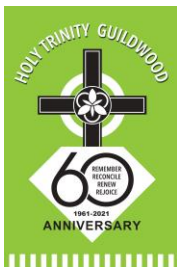
***December 15, 2024 – 10:30 a.m.***

**Church of the Holy Trinity, Guildwood**

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*The Rev. Canon Stephen Kirkegaard, Incumbent*



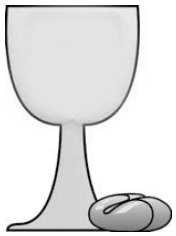
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## **Welcome to Holy Trinity, Guildwood**

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 Melanie McLeod, Family Ministry Coordinator, at 416-261-9503 or [melanie.mcleod777@outlook.com](mailto:melanie.mcleod777@outlook.com). 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**

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**Prelude #11 – Blessed Be the God of Israel**

SONG OF ZACHARIAS

*Text: Song of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79); para. Carl P. Daw, Jr. (1944-). Para © 1989 Hope Publishing Co. Music: Dorothy Howell Sheets (1915-) ©.*

The Gathering of the Community *please stand*

**Gathering Hymn #103 – On Jordan’s Bank, the Baptist’s Cry**

WINCHESTER NEW

*Text: Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. John Chandler (1806-1876), alt. Music: Melody Musicalisches Hand-Buch, Hamburg, 1690; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt.*

**Welcome**

**Land Acknowledgment**

*Lay Assistant* Today we honour and acknowledge that this land and locality are on 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.

*(National Indigenous Archbishop Chris Harper)*

Greeting and Advent Wreath Candle Lighting. *Please stand*

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

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



*As an instrumental piece is played, Melanie, youth and children come up and gather around the Advent Wreath.*

*Lighting of the Advent Wreath*

*Fina:* On this third Sunday of Advent  
we join with the writers of Scripture  
to joyfully sing of hope and healing.

*Melanie:* Healing takes many forms.  
People are healed from diseases,  
social and political injustices are corrected,  
even the earth itself can be restored to support new life.

*Fina:* Elizabeth recognized that Mary would give birth to a child  
who would save his people,  
and Mary sang a joyous song of praise to God.  
But her song is not a lullaby to soothe people to sleep.  
Her song is a strong declaration of God's greatness  
and justice for all people.

*Melanie:* God's greatness was shown in Christ and is still active in the world.  
The child of Mary brought a message of healing  
that continues as we follow

*Fina:* God's desire is for healing and restoration.  
The flame of this third candle reminds us that God calls us to be part  
of the healing of the world.

*Mackenzie lights the third blue candle.*

*Presider* Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

*People:* **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 children and young people go out to Church School  
downstairs in the Church Hall, we sing*

*All Sing* Joy is a song that welcomes the dawn,  
telling the world that the Saviour is born.  
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.

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

First Reading

Zephaniah 3:14-20

A reading from the book of Zephaniah.

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

*Reader 1* Listen for the leading of the Spirit.  
*People.* **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 3 (Isaiah 12:2-6) Hymn #361 Surely It Is God Who Saves Me. ECCE, DEUS

*Instrumental, 2. Choir, 3. Congregation*

Text: Song of Thanksgiving (Is. 12:2-6); para. Carl P. Daw, Jr. (1944-). Para. © 1982. Hope Publishing Co.,

Music: Alfred V. Fedak (1953-). © 1990 Selah Publishing Co., Inc.

Second Reading

Philippians 4:4-7

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

*Reader* Listen for the leading of the Spirit.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**



## **Our Response to the Word**

The Apostles' Creed                      *please stand*

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Prayers of the People

*Please feel free to sit 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.*

Saint Paul tells us: if there is anything you need, pray for it.

So, let worry give way to hope, as we pray, saying,

“Lord, you are our peace and our hope.”

**Lord, you are our peace and our hope.**

May Christ's coming help us to change our ways -

may we open our hearts to him

by changing for the better.

**Lord, you are our peace and our hope.**

We pray for the world . . .

For a generous response to the hungry and homeless,  
for Holy Trinity's Food Cupboard, for all Food Drives.

May Christ's coming inspire us to share with others,  
to be honest and respectful,

and not take advantage of other people.

**Lord, you are our peace and our hope.**

We pray for the sick and those in need,

for those who have asked for our prayers . . .

For any others known to you . . .

We pray for people who are bowed down –

may they feel the Lord coming near

and restoring their joy.

**Lord, you are our peace and our hope.**

We pray for the Church ...

We give thanks for our Church family ...

We give thanks for the generosity and commitment

of the Saints of Holy Trinity Guildwood,

and pray for God's blessing on our Grateful Giving Campaign.

May the Lord bring us a new awareness

of the church he wants us to be.

**Lord, you are our peace and our hope.**

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

May we have the boldness of John the Baptist  
in inviting others to support and share  
in our vision of preparing a better world.  
We pray for happiness – may people come to know Christ  
and discover how happy they can be.  
**Lord, you are our peace and our hope.**

We pray for all who have died,  
especially . . .  
For any others known to you . . .  
May they shout with joy and rejoice with all their hearts.  
**Lord, you are our peace and our hope.**

Loving God, we ask you to listen to our prayers  
and to give us your peace,  
which is so much greater than we can understand.  
Guard our hearts and thoughts through our hope, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**AMEN.**

Confession and Absolution

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

The Peace     *please stand*

*Presider*   The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*     **And also with you.**

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord*

### **Announcements**

*If you are new to our community, we're glad to have you here worshipping with us.  
Please subscribe to, like, and share our Holy Trinity, Guildwood YouTube Channel.  
To receive Together@Trinity please send us your email address.*

*Highlights:*

***Sunday, December 15 @ 7 pm, HTG Christmas Concert, donations  
will go to support the Indigenous, homeless at Risk Women and  
Children, and other marginalized groups through FaithWorks.  
Fourth and Last Tuesday Advent Bible Study and  
Watch Party with Bishop Andrew.***



**'Thank you' to St. Nicholas and all those who helped decorate the Church and set up / clean up the Potluck**  
**Please return your 2025 Generous Giving Intention card.**  
**Remembrance Tree**

**Christmas Services: Christmas Eve @ 7 pm Family Service;**  
**Christmas Day 10.30 am Eucharist.**

*Saving money and trees – please let the Parish Administrator know if you need a paper copy of T@T.*

*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.**

*If you feel inspired to financially support the impact we are making with our neighbours, and broader community, please donate via cash, cheque or leave your donation on the offering plate. For your convenience you can also donate via tap or on our website.*

**The Celebration of the Eucharist** *please stand*

The Preparation of Gifts

*While the hymn is sung, a collection is taken.*

*The bread and wine, the offerings of the people, are then brought forward and received.*

Offertory Hymn #89 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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EMMANUEL

Text: Latin (9<sup>th</sup> cent.?); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: Plainsong, Mode 1, Processionale (15<sup>th</sup> cent.); arr. Healey Willan (1880-1968), alt. ref. desc. and altern. harm. David Willcocks (1919-). Arr. © 1996 Concordia Publishing House. Used with permission. Ref. desc. and altern. harm. © 1970 Oxford University Press.

The Prayer over the Gifts *please remain standing*

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The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer #3

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Preface Dialog

Robert Graham



## Mass of the Lamb - Holy, Holy, Holy

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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

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The Breaking of the Bread #5

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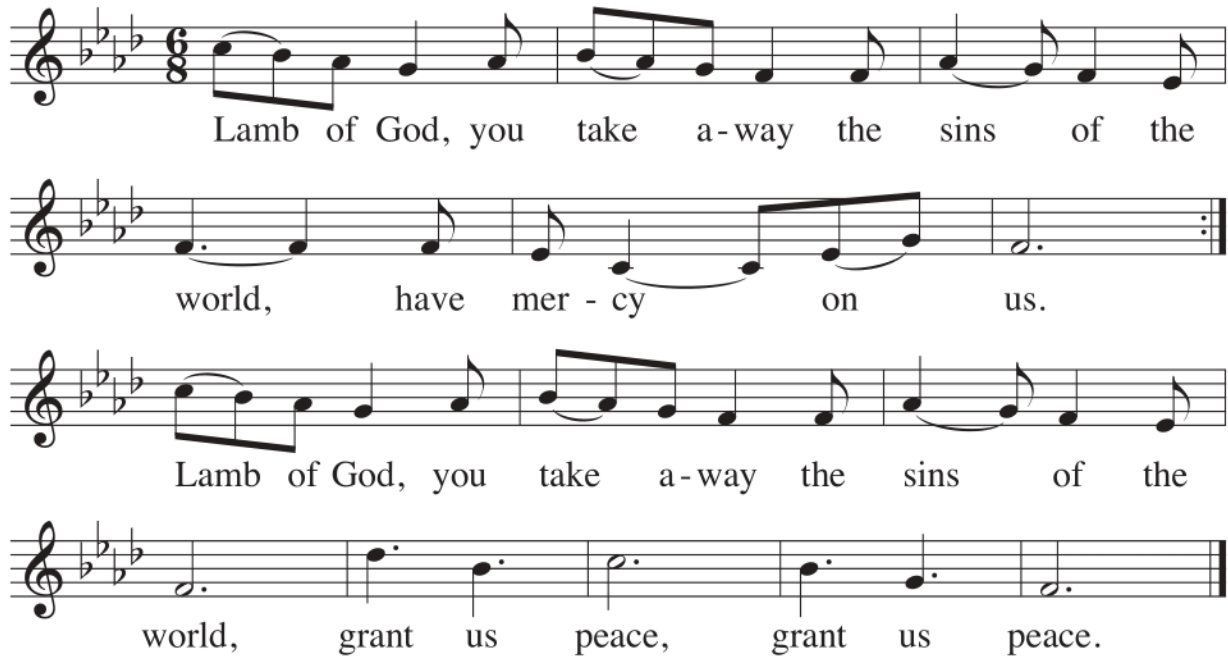
The Communion

*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 #572 – Let There Be Light

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## Communion Hymn #439 – Blest Are the Pure in Heart

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## The Sending Forth of the Community

Prayer after Communion *please stand*

Merciful God,  
 may this eucharist free us from our sins,  
 fill us with unending joy,  
 and prepare us for the birthday of our Saviour.  
 We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ,  
 who is Lord now and for ever.

*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.**

**Sending Hymn #108 Hark, A Herald Voice is Sounding**

MERTON

Text: Latin (Vox clare, 10<sup>th</sup> cent.); tr. Edward Caswall (1814-1878), alt. Music: William Henry Monk (1823-1889); desc. Alan Gray (1855-1935). Desc. © Cambridge University Press.

Blessing

Dismissal

*Presider* Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit,  
serve the world God loves.

*All* **Thanks be to God**

Postlude – Go Now In Peace

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**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 "Christmas Flowers" indicating the name of the person who is being honoured.





The Church of the Holy Trinity, Guildwood and Myron de Souza  
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# \* 2024 FaithWorks \*

## Christmas Concert

December 15 @ 7.00PM

Doors Open @ 6:30PM

In-Person and streamed to YouTube



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on Percussion



Jenn Burford  
on Violin



Guest Speaker:  
Peter Mentis



Taylor Lovelace  
as a Vocalist



Evan Desaulnier  
on Bass



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Jennifer Pearce-Chambers



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**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](http://www.trinityguildwood.org) and take one of our welcome brochures to learn more about opportunities for personal spiritual growth and service to others.

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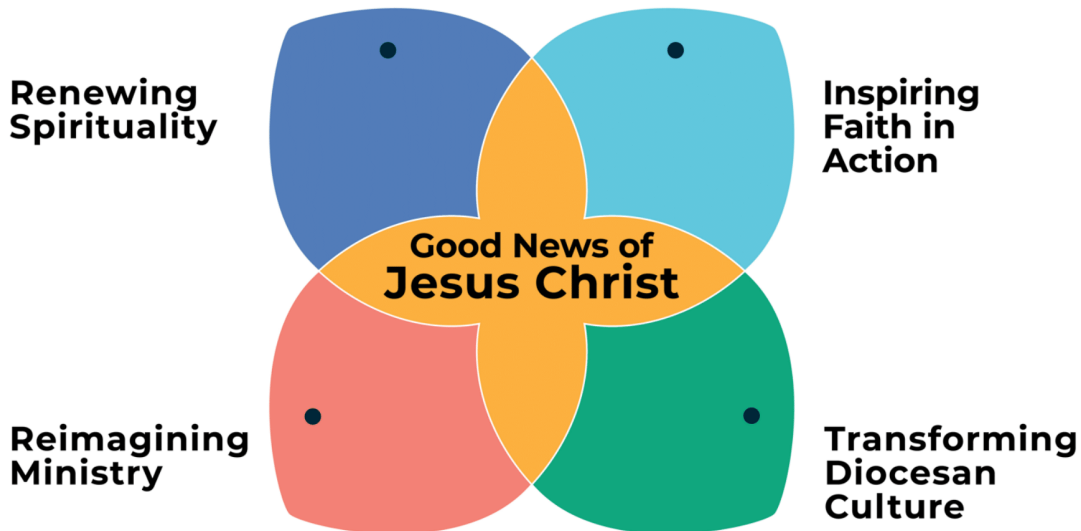
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### **Cast the Net Diocese of Toronto Vision**

Go forth, followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world God loves!



- We are disciples of Jesus Christ, whose Good News is the joy and challenge at the heart of our common life.
- We are renewed daily in our spiritual lives and share our faith with others.
- We seek justice for all, walk alongside those in need, and respond with loving service and prophetic advocacy.
- We support and encourage faithful and fruitful ministry by all who serve the life of the church.
- We live and work as the Body of Christ, each member connected to the whole, and each valued for their unique gifts.

**The Propers (Collect, Prayer over the Gifts, and Prayer after Communion) for the Third Sunday of Advent (3C) are found on pages 270-271.**



**Diocese of Toronto**  
Anglican Church of Canada

The Anglican Church of Tanzania; the Season of Spiritual Renewal; Church of the Ascension, Don Mills, its Café 65 program for Seniors; Anne, our Acting Primate and Metropolitan Bishop; Chris, our National Indigenous Archbishop; and Andrew, our Diocesan and Area Bishop.

**Our Parish family of Holy Trinity, Guildwood:** Nancy Hou, David, Ethan & Owen Eng; Jack Howard and family; Winnie, Richard, Adaugo, Chinwendu (Richard), Chinaechern, and Chimezirim (Karianna) John.

**Celebrating a birthday:** David Mills

**For our Youth Rep. of Synod:** Tanya Sanxhaku

**For our Priest:** Stephen.

**The Sick, Shut-In, and Those who have asked for our Prayers:** Allan Mawson, Alf Parke, Barbara Walker, Francis and the Callender Family, Don & Mary Beth, Ed Badley, Freda Morgan, Glenis Emmett, Nancy Lees, Roy & Wendy Woodhouse, Ruth Perry, Ted Tyson, Vivian Smith; Adele Kamiskie, Joshua Torres, Karin Cooksey, Richard Thomson.

**For Those Who Have Died:** Norma, Nova and Percy Byard;  
Thomas Martincak (friend of Jordan McCaffrey).

The flowers on the Altar this week, are given by Denise Byard  
in loving memory of her Grandmother Norma, Aunt Nova and Uncle Percy Byard.



# Third Sunday in



## Assisting in Worship are:

*Presider and Preacher:* The Rev. Canon Stephen Kirkegaard  
*Lay Assistant:* Cathy Mathews  
*Readers:* Nancy Mills and Eva McLean  
*Altar Guild:* Linda Epping, Linda Akuwa,  
 Comfort Abe-Omopariola  
*Welcome :* Eva McLean  
*Hospitality.* Winnifred John

**Readings for the  
 Fourth Sunday  
 of Advent  
 December 22, 2024  
 Micah 5:2-5a;  
 Canticle 18  
 (Luke 1:46-55);  
 Hebrews 10: 5-10;  
 Luke 1:39-45,  
 (46-55).**

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## Church Office Hours:

**Tuesday & Thursday: 10 am – 4 pm**

**Friday: 10 am – 2 pm**

**The church office will be closed on Mondays & Wednesdays.**