

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.

Advent 1B

November 29, 2026 – 10:30 a.m.

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The Rev. Canon Stephen Kirkegaard, Incumbent

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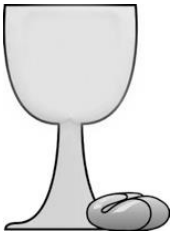
Welcome to Holy Trinity, Guildwood

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 please contact Melanie McLeod, Family Ministry Coordinator, at 416-261-9503 or familyministry@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 cellphones.

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Celebration of The Holy Eucharist

Prelude – Thou Art Coming, O My Saviour
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The Gathering of the Community *please stand*

Gathering Hymn **#89** – O Come, O Come, Emmanuel VENI EMMANUEL

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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.

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.**



Presider As part of our Advent preparations,
we celebrate Christ's coming
with the lighting of the Advent wreath.

The circle of the wreath
reminds us of God's unending love.

The evergreen branches speak of both new and everlasting life,
while the candles proclaim the light
that came into the world with Jesus Christ.

We light the first candle, the candle of hope.

The first candle is lit.

Presider: Jesus Christ is the light of the world.
All: **A light no darkness can extinguish.**

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

All Sing **Hope is a Star that shines in the night,
Leading us on till the morning is bright.
When God is a child, there is joy in our song.
The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,
and none shall be afraid.**

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Gathering Prayer (The Collect of the Day) *please remain standing*

Presider: Come, Lord God, change us and we shall be changed.
Come, increase our awareness of your presence.
Come, strengthen our love for you.
Come, fill our hearts with holiness.
Come, awaken us to be ready and watchful for your coming.
Come, Lord, God, change us and we shall be changed; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

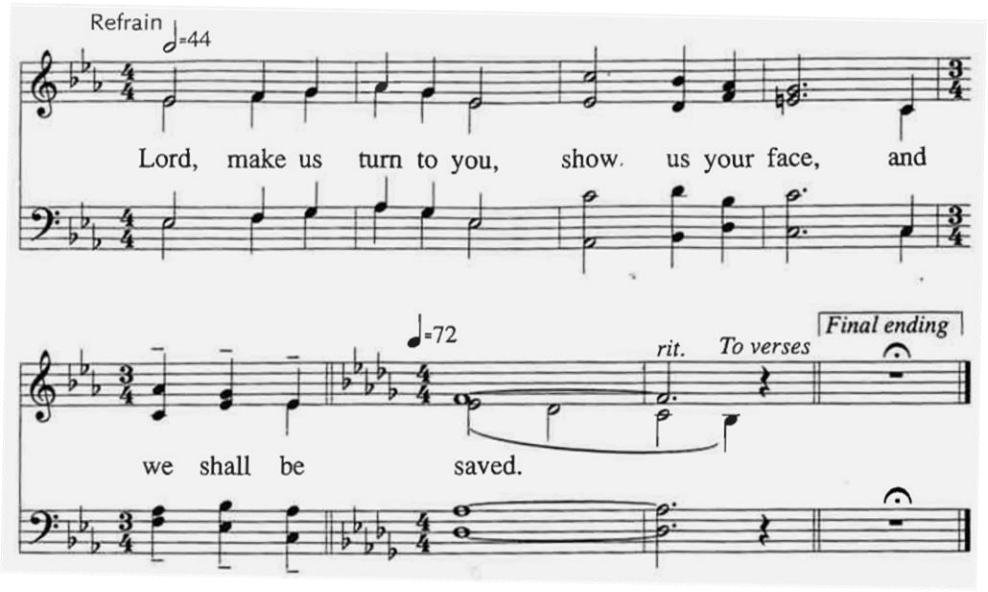
Proclamation of the Word *Please sit for the readings.*

The First Reading Isaiah 64:1-9
A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.
O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence-- as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil--to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly

do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

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

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18 *Please remain seated*
Refrain 1: Instrumental 2: Choir 3. Congregation



Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. REFRAIN

O Lord God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?
You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
You have made us the derision of our neighbours, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. REFRAIN

Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your name.
Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. REFRAIN

Gather Comprehensive Text: Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-20; Psalm 85:9-14; Luke 1:46-55; Marty Haugen Music: Marty Haugen© 1982, GIA Publications, Inc.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Gospel Acclamation **#94** – Wait for the Lord, Whose Day is Near
(Sung three times before and after the Gospel)

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The Holy Gospel Mark 13:24-37

Reader The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he

may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."
Reader The Gospel of Christ.
All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Canon Stephen Kirkegaard
Silence for reflection

Our Response to the Word *Please stand*

The Apostles Creed p. 189

Face of Grace: Robbie Rhodes

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.

Advent is always welcome, for Christ is always coming, in the world and in the church
As this Advent begins, we wait and pray with expectation saying
"Lord Jesus, come soon!"
"Lord Jesus, come soon!"

May we stay alert, for Christ comes to us in unexpected ways.
May Advent be a time of grace and new beginnings.
Lord Jesus, come soon!

We pray for our world, a world waiting for God …
We pray that the light of Christ's coming will break through the darkness.
Lord Jesus, come soon!

We pray for the Church …
and for our parish family …
We thank God for the people through whom Christ comes to us each day –
Family and friends, teachers and witnesses.
Lord Jesus, come soon!

Lord, help us to grow in holiness and in hospitality.
We pause for a moment 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
May we reach out to the wider community and share the good news of your love,
and the joy and hope that is Christmas.
Lord Jesus, come soon!

We pray for the sick and those in need …
For all who live in darkness, desolation or despair.
May the light of Christ's coming brighten their lives.
Lord Jesus, come soon!

We pray quietly for a moment,
and pause to think of what each will do
to ready ourselves for Christ's coming this Christmas. *(pause)*
May we be found worthy of our calling, awake and ready for Christ.
Lord Jesus, come soon!

We pray for our dead …
We look forward to Christ's coming in glory,
when all will be united in him forever.
Lord Jesus, come soon.

We are an Advent people, filled with expectation of God coming among us,
to refresh our souls and to renew our world.
Come in, Lord, come among us, today and forever.
Amen.

Eucharist: Enhancing the Prayer Donal Harrington (adapted)

Confession and Absolution p. 191

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 Peace of Christ.

Announcements

The Celebration of the Eucharist *please remain standing*

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.
Children and youth return for the "family meal" – Eucharist

Offertory Hymn **#98** – Hark the Glad Sound! The Saviour Comes

RICHMOND (HYMN 306)

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The Prayer over the Gifts *Please stand*

The Great Thanksgiving *please remain standing*

Eucharistic Prayer 3 p. 198

Sursum Corda PLAINSONG

Holy, Holy, Holy. MASS OF THE LAMB

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, in the highest.

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The Lord's Prayer

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
All **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 forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider God of promise,
you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.
All **Happy are those who are called**
to the supper of the Lamb.

The Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Lamb of God,

Lamb of God,
you take a-way the sins of the world,
have mercy 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 **#56 -** I Am the Bread, the Bread of Life PICKET WOOD

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Communion Hymn – Change My Heart, O God

Change my heart, O God,
make it ever true;
Change my heart, O God,
May I be like You.

You are the Potter, I am the clay;
Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.

Change my heart, O God,
make it ever true;
Change my heart, O God,
May I be like You.

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The Sending Forth of the Community

Prayer after Communion *please stand*

Prayer and Praise after Communion *please stand*

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.

Time for the Young at Heart

The Children and Youth are invited to come forward and gather at the Altar steps

Children's Transition – He's Got the Whole World in His Hands TRADITIONAL

Verse 1
He's got the whole world in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands

Verse 2
He's got the little tiny baby in His hands
He's got the little tiny baby in His hands
He's got the little tiny baby in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands

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Stephen tells the Story of St. Nicholas.

We Sing for St. Nicholas to come

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.

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.

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St. Nicholas enters and gives gifts to the Children

Sending Hymn **#91** – People, Look East! The Time Is Near BESANÇON

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Blessing
Dismissal

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

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude - Send us out in the Power of Your Spirit Lord

Chorus

Send us out in the Power of Your Spirit Lord
May our lives bring Jesus to the world
May each thought and word
Bring glory to Your Name
Send us out in Your Spirit Lord we pray
Send us out in Your Spirit Lord we pray

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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.



Who is St. Nicholas?



The true story of Santa Claus begins with Nicholas, who was born during the third century in the village of Patara in Asia Minor. At the time the area was Greek and is now on the southern coast of Turkey. His wealthy parents, who raised him to be a devout Christian, died in an epidemic while Nicholas was still young. Obeying Jesus' words to "sell what you own and give the money to the poor," Nicholas used his whole inheritance to assist the needy, the sick, and the suffering. He dedicated his life to serving God and was made Bishop of Myra while still a young man. Bishop Nicholas became known throughout the land for his generosity to those in need, his love for children, and his concern for sailors and ships.

Through the centuries many stories and legends have been told of St. Nicholas' life and deeds. These accounts help us understand his extraordinary character and why he is so beloved and revered as protector and helper of those in need.

Dear Guest/Visitor:
Thank you for worshiping 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 take one of our welcome brochures to learn more about opportunities for personal spiritual growth and service to others.

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

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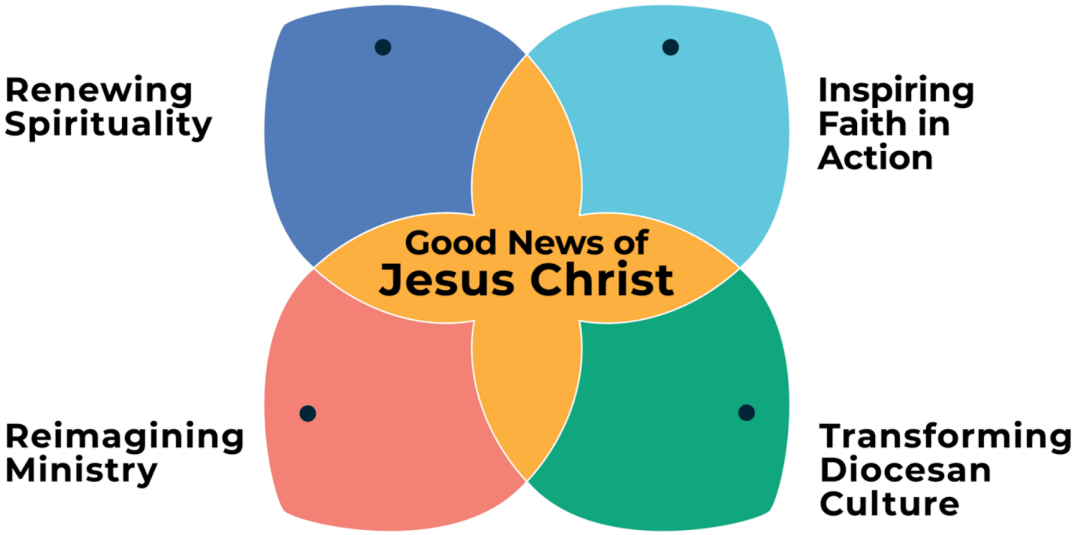

- We are disciples of Jesus Christ, whose Good News is the joy and challenge at the heart of our common life.
- We are renewed daily in our spiritual lives and share our faith with others.
- We seek justice for all, walk alongside those in need, and respond with loving service and prophetic advocacy.
- 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

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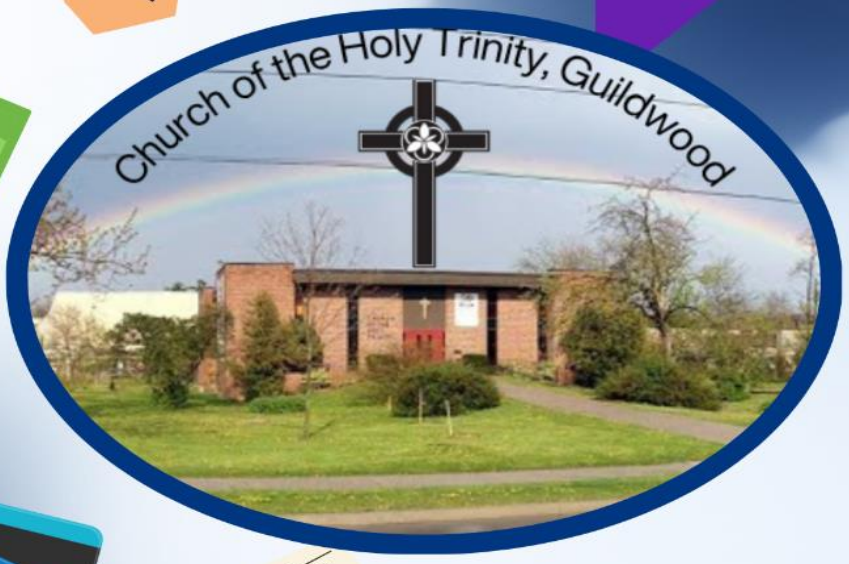



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The Prayers (Collect, Prayer over the Gifts, and Prayer after Communion) for Advent 1 are found on page 268.

This Week, in our Cycle of Prayers - We Pray For:

The Church: Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui; the people of the Anglican Church of Canada; St. James Cathedral; All Saints, Kingsway, its community garden, Out of the Cold program, outreach among the poor and disenfranchised of their neighbourhood; for Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury; Shane Parker, our Primate; Anne Germond, our Metropolitan Bishop; Christopher Harper, our National Indigenous Archbishop; and our College of Bishops: Kevin Robertson, Riscylla Shaw, and Andrew Asbil, our Diocesan and Area Bishop.

Our Parish Family of Holy Trinity, Guildwood: Maureen Vasey and family, Tim Wiebe and Ellen Anderson; Jim and Marilyn Wilson.

Those celebrating a birthday this week: Jay Epping

For our Lay Assistant Coordinator: Linda Epping.

For our Priest: Stephen.

For the Rev. Denise Byard and her new appointment as Assistant Curate of the St. James Cathedral.

Our Land Lease Development Project.

We give thanks for the generosity and commitment
of the Saints of Holy Trinity, Guildwood,
and pray for **God's blessing on our "Bridging the Gap" Campaign.**

Those who are Sick, and those who have asked for our Prayers:
Ed Badley; Dorothy and Kaizen Brown; Valerie Grant; Scott Heald; Ruth Mattinson; Allan Mawson; Don & Mary Beth; Donna Rowe.
For Joanne Dera; Karen Fraser; Lucia Gomes; Tom Howard; Gracie McKenna; Norm MacLeod; Roy Mohabir; Alison, Jonas and Joshua Torres and any others known to you…

For Those Who Have Died: Eva, Richard, Harold and Richard (Jr) Kirschner, Anna and Michael Latzkitsch.

The Flowers this week are given by Eva McLean,
"in loving memory of Mom, Dad, Harold, Richard, Oma, Opa and all the furry companions I've shared life with".



First Sunday In Advent

Assisting in Worship are:

Presider and Preacher:	The Rev. Canon Stephen Kirkegaard
Lay Assistant:	Pat Murray
Altar Guild:	Cathy Mathews, Maureen Vasey, Penny Case, Dorothy Brown
Readers:	Eva McLean, Nancy Mills
Welcome:	Eva McLean
Hospitality:	*TBC*
Tabulators:	Eva McLean; John Hetherington

Readings for Next Sunday December 6, 2026 (Advent 2)

Isaiah 40:1-11
Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13
2 Peter 3:8-15a
Mark 1:1-8

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Friday 10 am - 2 pm.