

Welcome to St. James'

**Whoever you are and wherever you are on your journey,
you are welcome in this place and at this table.**

If you are visiting with us today, you are welcome to participate in the offering, but please do not feel obligated to do so. The offering plate is not passed during the service. It is on the table in the centre aisle near the back of the church and is brought forward during the offertory hymn. Please speak to one of our greeters if you have any questions.

Message from your Wardens:

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Open 9:30 to noon
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
Closed on Wednesday

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Holy Trinity (Chapel)
Riverside Heights

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist

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Epiphany **January 4, 2026**

Celebrant: *The Rev. Mark Lewis*
Liturgical Assistant: *Graham Jacques*
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Chalice: *Wally Baker, Jane Lee*
Sound: *Nick Lee*
Livestream: *Patty McLaughlin*
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Counters: *Sue Parkes, Candace Jamieson*

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Order of Service

Gathering Song: *Come, All You People* **SNC #16**
Welcome
Peace Prayer
Land Acknowledgement
Opening Hymn: *The First Nowell* **CP #139**
The Gathering of the Community
The Collect of the Day
First Reading: *Isaiah 60: 1-6*
Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14 *(said antiphonally)*
Second Reading: *Ephesians 3: 1-12*
Gradual Hymn: *Angels from the Realms of Glory* **CP #143**
The Gospel: *Matthew 2: 1-12*
Sermon
Apostles Creed: *I Believe in God Almighty* **CP #44**
Prayers of the People
Shema: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all Your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and the great commandment. The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.
Confession / Absolution
The Peace
Offertory Hymn: *As with Gladness Men of Old* **CP #160**
Prayer over the Gifts
Eucharistic Prayer #3
The Lord's Prayer
Breaking of Bread #6
Communion Songs: *Agnus Dei* **CP #745**; *Author of Life Divine* **CP #64**; *Come to the Table of Grace (see insert)*; *Be Unto Your Name* **SNC #67**;
Prayer after Communion
Doxology
Blessing
Closing Hymn: *Joy to the World* **CP #154**
Sung Dismissal: *Send Us Out in the Power of Your Spirit (see insert)*

Prayers of the People

Gracious God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified, send your guidance upon us as we prepare to elect a bishop for our diocese. Grant wisdom to those discerning a call, to those who are candidates, to Members of Synod, and to our diocesan administrator, Bishop Michael Bird; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

In the World: We pray for a just and lasting peace in our world, especially in Ukraine and the Middle East. We pray for Kathy Lucking and the Madagascar School Project and the orphanage in Madagascar.

In our Diocese: We pray for Shane, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; as well as our Diocesan Partners: Communion Forest and Compass Rose, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, Bishop Larry Kochendorfer and Bishop Carla Blakley. This week we pray for the Rev. Bob Albert and the Parish of Huntley.

In our Community: We pray for the Pastoral and Spiritual Care Team at Winchester Hospital, Community Food Share - Dundas and Stormont, Dundas County Hospice and Naomi House. We pray for the municipality of South Dundas as we face an affordable housing crisis and for wisdom and courage for all levels of government involved. We pray for safe shelter for the homeless and good homes for seniors seeking affordable housing.

In our Parish: We pray for: Mark our Incumbent, Pat our Pastoral Associate, the Venerable Peter Crosby, Chaplain to Holy Trinity, and for our Parish Council, Liturgical Assistants, Church Musicians, Martha's teams, Apple Tree Ministry, Prayer Ministry, Pastoral Care Team, the Parish Building for the Future Committee and our Shape of Parish Ministry Team.

In our extended Parish family, we pray for: Aiden A., Alan B., Andrew F., Andy P., Angie B., Ann E., Anne H., Bev. L., Blake G., Brad M., Brenda B., Brooke & Michael H., David M., David W., Debra D., Dirk T., Doug M., Elizabeth O., Hailey G., Janet T., Jean C., Jessica F., Jill D., Jim M., Judy L., Julie R., Justin B., Kelly G., Larry T., Laurie L., Lawrence L., Leighsah M., Linda D., Linda H., Linda W., Maddie, Marie C., Mary Ann W., Matthew R., Mattie Z., Maverick P., Michelle L., Monique L.P., Nancy D., Nancy H., Natalie T., Peggy W., Percy M., Peter B., Peter M., Phil M., Richard P., Robby G., Robert M., Russell H., Sarah T., Shirley B., Shirley F., Shirley T., Shyanne W., Suzanne C., Susan D., Thomas D., Tim M., Vivian B., Wayne M., Wes L., and Winston P.

SONG WORDS

Gathering Song: *Come All You People* **SNC #16**

Opening Hymn: *The First Nowell* **CP #139**

Gradual: *Angels from the Realms of Glory v.1,3,4,5* **CP #143**

Apostles Creed: *I Believe In God Almighty* **CP #44**

Offertory Hymn: *As With Gladness Men of Old* **CP #160**

Communion 1: *Agnus Dei* **CP #745**

Communion 2: *Author of Divine Life* **CP #64**

Communion 3: *Come to the Table of Grace*

1. Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace.
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of grace.
2. Come to the table of peace. Come to the table of peace.
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of peace.
3. Come to the table of love. Come to the table of love.
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of love.
4. Come to the table of hope. Come to the table of hope.
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of hope.
5. Come to the table of joy. Come to the table of joy.
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of joy.

Communion 4: *Be Unto Your Name* **SNC #67**

Closing Hymn: *I Am the Light of the World* **VU #87**

Chorus: "I am the light of the world!
You people come and follow me!"
If you follow and love
you'll learn the mystery,
of what you were meant to do and be.

Closing Hymn: *I Am the Light of the World (cont'd)*

1. When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and the shepherds
have found their way home,
the work of Christmas is begun; **Chorus:**
2. To find the lost and lonely one,
to heal the broken soul with love,
to feed the hungry children
with warmth and good food,
to feel the earth below, the sky above! **Chorus:**
3. To free the prisoner from all chains,
to make the powerful care,
to rebuild the nations
with strength of good will,
to see God's children everywhere! **Chorus:**
4. To bring hope to every task you do,
to dance at a baby's new birth,
to make music in an old person's heart,
and sing to the colours of the earth! **Chorus:**

Dismissal: *Send Us Out in the Power of your Spirit*

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.

First 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 on 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,

First Reading: *Isaiah 60: 1-6 (cont'd)*

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.

Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14

Leader: Give the king your justice, O God, *

All: and your righteousness to the king's son;

Leader: that he may rule your people righteously *

All: and the poor with justice;

Leader: that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *

All: and the little hills bring righteousness.

Leader: He shall defend the needy among the people, *

All: rescuing the poor and crushing the oppressor.

Leader: He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *

All: from one generation to another.

Leader: He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *

All: like showers that water the earth.

Leader: In his time shall the righteous flourish; *

All: there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

Leader: The rulers of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, *

All: and the rulers of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.

Leader: All rulers shall bow down before him, *

All: and all the nations do him service.

Leader: For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress *

All: and the oppressed who has no helper.

Leader: He shall have pity on the lowly and poor *

All: and shall preserve the lives of the needy.

Leader: He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, *

All: and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14 (cont'd)

All: Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word, and Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Reading: *Ephesians 3: 1-12*

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles - for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 2: 1-12*

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, 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 wise men 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 at its rising, 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.