



St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



The three magi, from an illuminated manuscript in Farnborough Abbey

January 5, 10:00 AM, 2025

**The Epiphany of the Lord
The Holy Eucharist
January 5, 2025**

Prelude

Mary Lee Voort

Processional Hymn: We Three Kings

**We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar;
Field and fountain moor and mountain, following yonder star.**

***Chorus:* O star of wonder, star of night,
star with royal beauty bright;
Westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to Thy perfect light.**

**Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown Him again;
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign. *Chorus***

**Frankincense to offer have I, incense owns a Deity nigh;
Prayer and praising, all men raising, worship Him, God most high. *Chorus***

**Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume, breathes a life of gathering gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone cold tomb. *Chorus***

**Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and Sacrifice;
Alleluia, alleluia! Earth to the heavens replies. *Chorus***

Announcements

The Rev. Steve Bateman

Children's Focus

The Gathering of the Community

***Celebrant* 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 with thy spirit.**

Celebrant
People

Almighty God,
unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria
Celebrant
All:

#679
Glory be to God on high,
and in earth peace, good will towards all. We praise thee,
we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give
thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest
away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant
All

Let us pray
Eternal God, who by a star led wise men to the worship of your Son.
Guide by your light the nations of the earth, that the whole world
may know your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

The Proclamation of the Word

At the conclusion of the reading, the reader shall say:
And the people shall respond:

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Sheila Matson

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12

Muriel Mellow – Southminster United Church

Gradual Hymn: # 150 On This Day Earth Shall Ring

The Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Linda Bateman

Reader The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

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

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge

Anthem Amid the Cold of Winter

arr. Bret Rhoades

The Nicene Creed (*all standing*)

**I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the
Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God;
begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through
whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down
from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and
was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He
suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the
scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the
Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the
dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth
from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is
worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one,
holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the
remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of
the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People (*all kneeling*)

Flora Mackay

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for The Church in Wales.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: In our Diocese we pray for Diocese of Calgary Synod Office
Staff, The Most Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson, The Ven. Dr. Pilar Gateman, Mr. Rob Sutherland,
Ms. Barb Gogol, The Rev. Br. Jason Carroll, The Rev. Dcn. Elizabeth Short, The Rev. Daniel
Joseph, Mrs. Barbara Labrecque, Mrs. Kim Getty, Mr. Michael Hoskin, Mr. Frank Corbett,

Mr. Larry Taerum, The Rev. Dcn. Tracey Stagg, The Rev. Dcn. Charmaine Evans, The Rev. Dcn. Carol Tubman, Chancellor Peter Crisfield, and Vice-Chancellor Jeff Davidson.

In Our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for Cathedral Church of St. George (Parish of Saint George and Saint Andrew) with Transfiguration, The Ascension and Holy Redeemer and The Very Rev. Samuel Nichols. We also pray for Synod Office Staff, The Right Rev. Leopold Friday, Mrs. Marcia Dublin, The Ven. Clive Thomas, The Ven. Randolph Evelyn, The Ven. Christian Glasgow and Mr. Stanley John.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for all those involved in the ministry of leadership: especially members of Corporation, Parish Council and Management Committee.

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God.

Silence is kept. The celebrant and people say together,

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things and judge of all people: we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand, and one of the ministers addresses the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: #139 The First Nowell

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer Over the Gifts

The Rev. Steve Bateman

All **Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving (*all kneeling*) #682

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who, in substance of our mortal flesh, manifested forth his glory, that he might bring us out of darkness into his own marvellous light. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

All **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given

thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

All **We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.**

Celebrant And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (*all kneeling*)

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread #685

All **O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:
grant us thy peace.**

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and That we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Eucharist.

All (baptized or not) are invited to come forward for a blessing.

If you require a gluten free wafer, please inform the person administering the bread.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray. *(all kneeling)*

All **God of all the nations of the earth, guide us with your light. Help us to recognize Christ as he comes to us in this eucharist and in our neighbours. May we welcome him with love, for he is Lord now and for ever. Amen.**

The Doxology *(all standing)*

Celebrant 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.**

Recessional Hymn: #160 As with Gladness Men of Old

Dismissal

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

"For the first four Sundays of Epiphany, the Downtown churches are participating in a reader exchange. We are pleased to welcome this morning Muriel Mellow from Southminster United Church. Charis Legg from our parish is reading at Christ Trinity Lutheran Church.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In loving memory of Norman and Christina Noss by the family.

In loving memory of Earl and Eleanor Herbig by Allan and Vernice and family.

In loving memory of Ethel Maughan
by Sue and Gerald Kylo and family, and Miles and Noel Maughan and family.

SHARING IN MINISTRY TODAY

GOSPELLER: Linda Bateman

INTERCESSOR: Flora Mackay

LAY ASSISTANTS: Chris Burton, Karn Hudson, Jean Larson, Kathy Leonard, Judith Robinson, Francis Stillwell, Greg Young

LECTOR: Sheila Matson

LITURGICAL ASSISTANT: Tom Warwick

MUSICIANS: Steve Bateman, Flora MacKay, Sarah Viejou, St. Augustine's Senior Choir.

SANCTUARY GUILD: Harriet Edwards, Alan and Vernice Herbig, Lois Ledene, Joanne Stroh

SERVERS: Daniel Griffioen, Nicole MacDonald, Jayla Matchett

SIDESPEOPLE: Cathy Gillespie, Karen Larsen

COUNT SUPERVISOR: Jacky Hall-Buckland

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NEWCOMERS MINISTRY: Bill and Debra Glaister

Rector
Associate Priest
Rector Emeritus
Rector Emeritus
Children & Family Ministries
Nursery & Special Events
Music Director
Organist
Administrative Assistant
Lead Verger
Assistant Vergers
Rector's Warden
Acolyte
Assistant Rector's Warden
People's Warden
Assistant People's Warden
Deputy Warden (Worship)
Deputy Warden (Caring)
Deputy Warden (Fellowship)
Deputy Warden (Missional Outreach)
Deputy Warden (Facilities)
Deputy Warden (Financial Stewardship)
Deputy Warden (Communications)
Deputy Warden (Discipleship and Evangelism)

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