

St. Cyprian's Anglican Church

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Church Office Hours: Tues to Fri 9:30 to 12:30 noon

Sunday Worship

The Holy Eucharist at 9:30 am every Sunday,
and at 11:00 am on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month.

Morning Prayer at 11:00 am on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

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Ministers: Every member of the congregation

Incumbent: The Rev. Victor Li – 416-617-4837

Honorary Assistant: The Rev. Pamela Lucas

Rector's Warden – Phil Sharp

People's Warden – Cindy Mitchener

Director of Music – Laura Hope

Treasurer – Dennis Bucchan

Envelope Secretary – Jane Tearne

December 23rd, 2018 - 4th Sunday of Advent
9:30 am - Holy Eucharist 11:00 am - Morning Prayer
Welcome to our worship!

Today, the following persons are on duty:

Sidespersons are	9:30	Rod Hudson	
	11:00	Monica Mitchell, Iris Harrison, Tony Billy	
Altar Guild are		Avil Vincent, Jackie Gill	
Duty Warden		Cindy Mitchener	
Lay Reader	9:30	Diane Downing	11:00 Carol Clarke

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Three candles are lit

Reader 1: The first three candles help us remember the gifts of God they symbolize: the light of hope, the lasting peace, and the fountain of joy. The fourth candle helps us to remember that God is love.

The fourth candle is lit.

Reader 2: The Bible tells us that it is because God loved the world so much that Jesus came. The angel Gabriel announced the coming birth to Mary saying “peace be with you! The Lord is with you and has greatly blessed you!” Mary was deeply troubled. She had many questions. It was a big responsibility. God had chosen Mary to help give the gift of love to the world. Mary responds: “I am the Lord’s servant. That it be with me as you have said.”

Reader 1: The fourth candle reminds us how much God loves us. Jesus was born into the world to show us how to love one another.

All: **Merciful God, thank you for loving us, and for sending us Jesus to teach us about your love. Help us to remember that your love will never come to an end. Amen.**

Collect of the Day [*Said Together*]

Heavenly Father, who chose the Virgin Mary, full of grace, to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour, now fill us with your grace, that we in all things may embrace your will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF MICAH

9:30 Becky Girdler

11:00 Dennis Bucchan

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.

And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace.

MICAH 5:2-5a

Reader: The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

CANTICLE 18 The Song of Mary (*Luke 1.46–55*)

- to be read responsively by half verse

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; *

for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed: *

the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him *

in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, *
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel, *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
The promise he made to our fathers, *
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

9:30 Judy North

11:00 Carol Clarke

Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, “Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, ‘See, God, I have come to do your will, O God’ (in the scroll of the book it is written of me).” When he said above, “You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings” (these are offered according to the law), then he added, “See, I have come to do your will.” He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

HEBREWS 10:5-10

Reader: The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

**Gospeller: THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
ACCORDING TO LUKE**

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

LUKE 1: 39-45

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Specific Petitions:

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: FaithWorks

Deanery Cycle of Prayer: St. John's, Willowdale

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Dawn & Rob Nadeau, Mary & Prakash Nagrani
Abbas Naqvi, Margaret Nishikawara, Angela Norman, and their families

St. Cyprian's Announcements

Come, Join us for the Christmas Celebrations:

December 24th – **7:30 pm** Choral & Family Eucharist

December 25th – **10:30 am** Holy Communion

Offerings for 2018:

Gentle Reminder: In order to get your offerings and donations included for the tax year 2018, please have them in by next Sunday, December 30th.

Thank you for your financial support!

Black History Celebration will be on **February 10th, 2019**

Special Guest Preacher: Mr. Maurice Ford

St. Cyprian Annual Vestry Meeting -- Sunday, February 17th, 2019

Tri-Church Announcements

Thank You to all those who helped, packed and delivered the 28 Christmas Hampers yesterday! Thanks to all those who gave gifts for the 'Angels', provided food or made financial donations. Your efforts are much appreciated by people in the community!

Christmas Flowers / Candle Fund

In Memory Of

In memory of loved ones

Joseph & Iris Burton, and Dorothy Burton

Mr & Mrs Carlyle Brome, Mr & Mrs Frank Sandiford
& Harriet

Charles & Dave Ettinger. Denise Sullivan,

Fred & Margaret Stapley & all departed loved ones

Reg Ford, Harold Ford, Carl Smith

Nicole Halstead, Mina Mason & Enid Thompson

Beatrice & Thomas Hudson, Gloria & Gilbert Sullivan,
Derek & Wanitta Hudson & Grandparents

John Macnamara, Harold & Margaret Macnamara

Eric, Estella & Frank Thompson.

Sybil & Noel Ruty, Joe Ruty, George & Beatrice McIntosh,

George McIntosh, Jr. & Russell McIntosh

Thomas, Gertrude, Rosemary, Audrey, Michael, Jane
Suyeki & Muki Takhta, James Nishikawara

Loved ones

Family & Friends

Sydney & Loretta Sandiford, Eulene, Muriel, Ira,

Harriet, Edgar Spooner, Shirley Wigmore

Prince, Sarah, Alice, Copeland Melbourne and

Katherine Thompson, Morgan Family, Evelyn Mason

Father & Mother: Michael & Evelyn Strache

Mr. & Mrs. W. Richards, Mr. & Mrs. C. Wint

Given by:

Fred & Sandra Baker

Elaine Burton & Avil Vincent

Winston & Joyce Brome

Gwynneth Ettinger

The Ford Family

Joe, Norma, Tricia,
& her family

Rod & Janet Hudson

Mary Macnamara

The McIntosh Family

The Mitchener Family

Margaret Nishikawara

Judy North

Don & Gussie Quinton

Megan Sandiford

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Sadie Wiltshire

Daphne & Theodore Wint

Robert Cumming

As a Thank-offering

Eliza Xu

Wendy & K.C. Wong

ORDER OF SERVICE
Book of Alternative Services
9:30 am Holy Eucharist

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: 363 My Soul Proclaims Your Glory, Lord

Prayer over the Gifts [*said together*]

Gracious God, by the power of the Spirit who sanctified the mother of your Son, make holy all we offer you this day. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

[Standing, let us pray together]

Faithful God, in this sacrament we receive the promise of salvation. May we, like the Virgin Mary, be obedient to your will. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Doxology

Benediction

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: 89 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (*vs 1-2, 5-7*)

Dismissal: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

11:00 am **Morning Prayer & Praise**

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn: 89 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (*vs 1-2, 5-7*)

The Lighting of the Advent Candles (*page 2 of this bulletin*)

Hymn: 368 He came down that we may have love...

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THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

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Homily: Fr Victor

Choir Anthem: “King’s Bell Carol” - arr. by Patrick M. Liebergen

Affirmation of Faith

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Offertory Hymn: 363 My Soul Proclaims Your Glory, Lord

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Doxology

Blessing and Choral Amen

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: 121 O Little Town of Bethlehem

Dismissal: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!