

# ST. LUKE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, PALERMO



## Sunday, December 18, 2022 10:00 am Holy Eucharist

Fourth Sunday of Advent
The Rev. Garfield Wu – Presider & Preacher

#### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

**Processional Hymn** 

People, Look East! The Time is Near – CP#91 (v. 1, 4, 5)
The Gathering of the Community p. 185

Lelebrant:

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

All: And also with you.

Collect for Purity p. 185-86 Trisagion p. 187

Children's Focus

#### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

**Celebrant:** We wait for the coming of Christ, the light of the world.

All: Come Lord Jesus.

**Celebrant:** The true light, which enlightens everyone, is coming into the world.

All: Come Lord Jesus.

Celebrant: The light shines in the darkness and the darkness will not overcome it.

All: Christ, shine in your church today.

#### Collect of the Day

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 forever. **Amen.** 

#### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**Reader:** A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Reading: Isaiah 7:10-16

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn** 

O Come, O Come Emmanuel - CP#89 (v. 1, 2, 4, 7)

#### THE GOSPEL

Reader: The Lord be with you. People: And also, with you.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Matthew 1:18-25

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Gradual Hymn concludes with Verse #7

**Homily:** The Rev. Garfield Wu **Anthem:** People in Darkness

The Apostle's Creed p. 189
The Prayers of the People (Litany 12) p. 119
Confession & Absolution p. 191

The Peace

#### **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

Offertory Hymn:

Jesus, the Joy of Loving Hearts CP #70 (v. 1-3, 5)

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**Celebrant:** 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.** 

Eucharistic Prayer #3 p. 198
Preface of Advent p. 219

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread #5 p. 212

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant: Dear friends, I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now. Many are made one. We receive you Lord Jesus Christ,

All: we welcome your presence in us, and together proclaim our love for you; with our hearts, minds, our souls and our strength, with the saints we worship you, with the angels we adore you, with your whole Church we proclaim your reign. Come to us, though many, and make us one in you. Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Celebrant:** God of hope, renew in us the joy of your salvation and make us a living sacrifice to you, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### DOXOLOGY

Glory to God, 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.

Blessing Announcements

Recessional Hymn: Lo, He Comes With Clouds Descending CP #114 (v. 1, 3, 4)

Dismissal

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US!

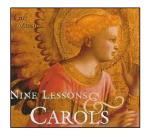
Lay Reader: Dean Correia
Duty Warden: Margie Simms

Next Week's Readings: Isaiah 62:6-12 Luke 2:8-20

The Weekly Cycle of Prayer

In Our Parish: Simone & Maurizio Chen, Sheila Clarke, Dean & Janet Correia, Bradley & Kristen Cousins, Wendy & Carl Cousins, Hugh & Leasa Cumming, and their families.

In the Diocese of Niagara: St. Luke, Burlington, The Rev. Canon Stuart Pike, Rector; The Rev. Dr. Leonel Abaroa-Bolona, Pastoral Associate; The Rev. Michael Coren, Assistant Curate; The Rev. Deacon Sheila Plant, Deacon; The Ven. Suzanne Craven, Hon. Assistant; The Rev. Carole Langlotz, Hon. Assistant, and the people of that parish.



#### St. Luke's Festival of Lessons and Carols Sunday, December 18 at 7 pm

We are excited to hold our first lessons and carols service in two years! Join our choir and musical guests as we sing some favourite carols and study the Bible's promises of Christmas and the coming Messiah. Invite your family and friends — it's sure to be a wonderful evening of music and praise.

#### Join us to celebrate the Birth of Our Lord this Christmas Eve!

Christmas Eve Family Service Saturday, December 24 at 5 pm

with programs for families and children of all ages

**Christmas Eve Midniaht Mass** 

**Saturday, December 24 at 11 pm** with celebration of Holy Eucharist

Programs at St. Luke's Community Centre will be cancelled for the Christmas Holidays

from Saturday, Dec. 24, 2022 to Monday, Jan. 2, 2023 Programs will resume on Tuesday, January 3, 2023



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