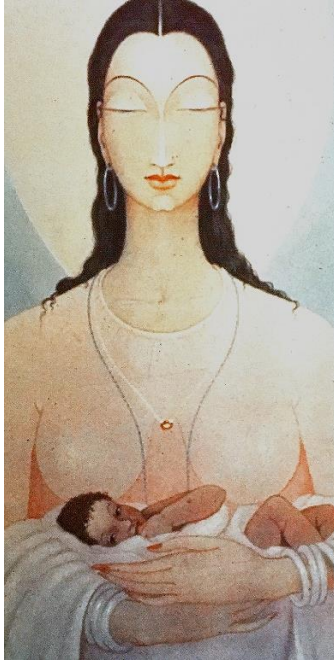




# ST. LUKE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, PALERMO



“I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to his word.”  
– Luke 1:38

**Sunday, December 24, 2023**  
**10:00 am**

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The Fourth Sunday of Advent  
*Love*  
Holy Eucharist Service  
The Rev. Garfield Wu – Presider & Preacher

**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Processional Hymn

O Little Town of Bethlehem CP #121

The Gathering of the Community p. 185

**Celebrant:**

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

**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.**

**The Fourth Candle is Lit**

**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 Second Book of Samuel.

**Reading:** 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

No Crowded Eastern Street CP #129

**THE GOSPEL**

**Reader:** The Lord be with you.

**People: And also, with you.**

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

**People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Luke 1:26-38**

**Reader:** The Gospel of Christ.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Gradual Hymn concludes with Verse #4**

**Homily:** The Rev. Garfield Wu

**Anthem:** Who is This Tiny Child?

**The Apostle's Creed** p. 189

**The Prayers of the People** (Litany 12) p. 119

**Confession & Absolution** p. 191

**The Peace**

**Offertory Hymn**

'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime  
CP #146 (v. 1, 2, 4)

**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 #4** p. 201

**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:** 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

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, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

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Announcements

Recessional Hymn:

Shepherds in the Field Abiding

CP #135 (v. 1, 2,4)

Dismissal

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THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US!

## This Week's Worship Team

Lay Reader: Preston Scott

Duty Warden: Margie Simms

**JOIN US THIS EVENING FOR OUR  
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES!**

**A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU AND  
YOUR FAMILY!**

## The Weekly Cycle of Prayer

In Our Parish: Gladis & Joe Di Paolo,  
Gary & Seelina Dumbrell, Gary Duncan,  
Hyacinth Elliott, Kamille Elliott, their  
families and loved ones.

In the Diocese of Niagara: St. Paul,  
Jarvis, The Rev. Canon Richard  
Moose, Rector; and all the people of  
that parish.

## Announcements



**Come to**

**St. Luke's Christmas Services 2023**

**December 24 @ 10:00 am - Sunday Service**

**December 24 @ 5:30 pm - Family Service**

**December 24 @ 11:00 pm - Midnight Mass**

**December 25 @ 10:00 am - Christmas Day Service**

**Invite your friends and family! All are Welcome.**



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We recognize that St Luke's, Palermo, and Oakville reside on the treaty lands and territory of the **Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation** - part of the Anishinaabe nation. Oakville is covered by two treaties: **Treaty #14** - The Head of the Lake Treaty of 1806; and **Treaty #22** - the 12 Mile Creek, 16 Mile Creek and the **River Credit Reserve Treaty** of 1820.

We acknowledge that it is our collective responsibility to honour and respect those who have gone before us, those who are here, and those who have yet to come, and we are grateful for the opportunity to be living, working, and serving on this land.

**Christian Disciples...**  
**Transforming Lives... Building Community**