



ST. LUKE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, PALERMO



“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts;
let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.” – *Colossians 3:15-16*

First Sunday after Christmas
Sunday, December 31, 2023
10:00 am

Holy Eucharist Service
The Rev. Garfield Wu – Presider & Preacher

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn

Good Christians All, Rejoice CP #153

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

Glorify to God p. 186

CHILDREN'S FOCUS

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have shed upon us the new light of your incarnate Word. May this light, enkindled in our hearts, shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Reader: A Reading from the Letter to the Galatians.

Reading: Galatians 4:4-7

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

See Amid the Winter's Snow CP #148 (v. 1, 2, 4)

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: **Glorify to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Luke 2:22-40

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Gradual Hymn concludes with Verse #4

Homily: The Rev. Garfield Wu

Anthem: Wise Men, they Came to Look for Wisdom

The Apostle's Creed p. 189

The Prayers of the People (Litany 13) p. 120

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The Peace

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn:

We Three Kings

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant: God of light, in the birth of your Son we see your glory. May we who share in this mystery grow daily in your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer #3 p. 198

Preface of Christmas p. 219

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread #6 p. 213

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: Source of truth and joy, may we who have received the gift of divine life always follow the way of your Son. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

DOXOLOGY

Glorify 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.

Blessing
Announcements

Recessional Hymn:
Praise to the Lord

CP #382

Dismissal

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US!

This Sunday's Readings:

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

Matthew 2:1-12

The Weekly Cycle of Prayer

In Our Parish: Norah Knox, Joyce Kyei, Mercy Kyei, Clarence & Stacy Lambert, Roy & Bea Lawrence, their families and loved ones.

In the Diocese of Niagara: St. Mark's, Niagara-on the Lake; The Rev. Leighton Lee, Rector; and all the people of that parish.



Thank you for being a part of our community and supporting St. Luke's this past year!

May this Christmas Season and the New Year be blessed for you and your loved ones.

**Programs at St. Luke's Community Centre
will be cancelled for the Christmas Holidays**
from Sunday, Dec. 24, 2023 to Monday, Jan. 1, 2024
Programs will resume on Tuesday, January 2, 2024



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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