



ST. LUKE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, PALERMO



“I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people;
for to you is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord.” – Luke 2:10-11

Christmas Day
Wednesday, December 25, 2024
10:00 am

Eucharist Service
The Rev. Canon Garfield Adams – Presider & Preacher

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn

O Come, All Ye Faithful CP #118

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

Glory to God p. 186

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Celebrant: We have waited for the coming of Christ, the light of the world.

All: Come Lord Jesus.

The Christ Candle is lit.

Celebrant: The true light, which enlightens everyone, has come 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

Almighty God, you wonderfully created and yet more wonderfully restored our human nature. May we share the divine life of your Son Jesus Christ, who humbled himself to share our humanity, and now 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 Letter to the Hebrews

Reading: Hebrews 1:1-12

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

The First Nowell CP #139 (v. 1-3, 6)

GOSPEL

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also, with you.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 1:1-14

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn concludes with Verse #6

Homily: The Rev. Canon Garfield Adams

The Apostle's Creed p. 189

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

Confession & Absolution p. 191

The Peace

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn:

What Child is This? CP #137

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant: God of peace, your Son Jesus Christ has reconciled us to you. May all we offer you today renew us as members of your household. We ask this in his name. **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: Father of all, the child born for us is the Saviour of the world. May he who made us your children welcome us into your kingdom, where he is alive and reigns with you now and forever. **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.

Blessing
Announcements

Recessional Hymn:
Hark the Herald Angels Sing CP #138

Dismissal

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US!

This week's Worship Team
Lay Reader: Allen Jones
Duty Warden: Kathy Parker

This Sunday's Readings:
Colossians 3:12-17
Luke 2:41-52

The Weekly Cycle of Prayer

In Our Parish: Kathy Parker, Julie Parks, Tanya Peirce, Ranji & Arthur Rajaratnam, Answerd Ramcharan & Karen Mewa, their families and loved ones.

In the Diocese of Niagara: The Dunn Parish, Christ Church & St. John the Evangelist, Dunnville; The Rev. Canon Richard Moorse, Priest-in-Charge; and all the people of that parish.



**Merry Christmas to You and Your Family
from St. Luke's, Palermo!**

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 Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2024, to Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2025
Programs will resume on **Thursday, January 2, 2025**

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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