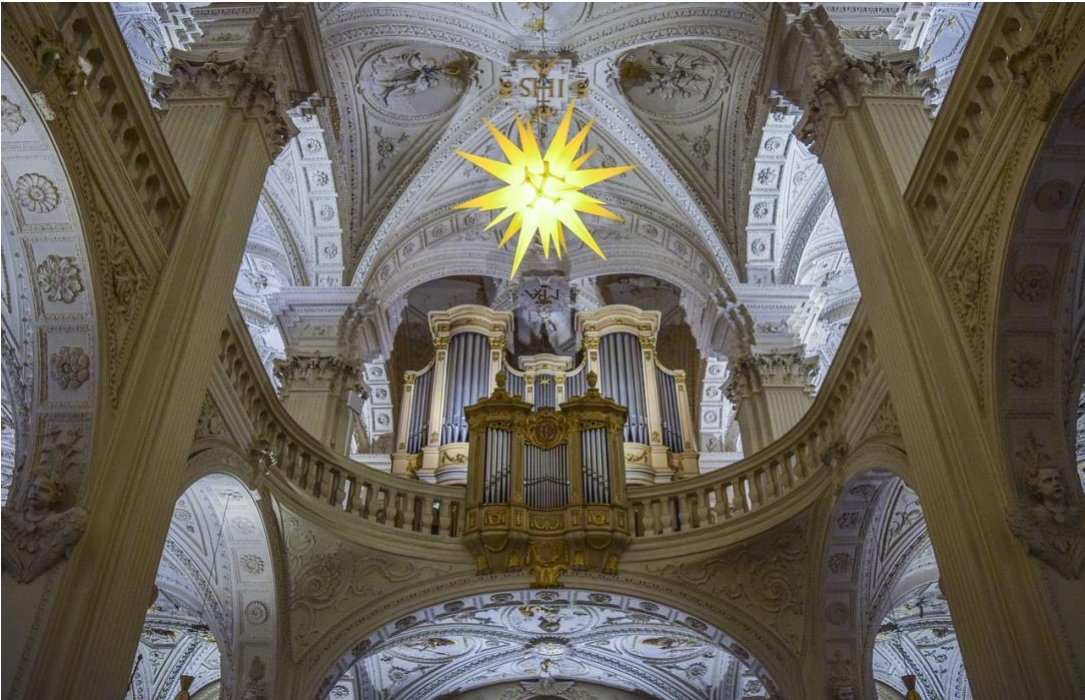




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Welcome to All Saints' Westboro



Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, January 5th, 2025

8:00 am—Said Eucharist

9:30 am—Sung Eucharist

Wednesday (January 8th, 2025 - Chapel)

10:30 am—Said Eucharist

The Ven. Kathryn Otley

The Rev. Chung Yan Lam

Children and youth: Janet Currie-Kelk

Music: Lauren Saindon

Please Note: Photos are taken for parish communication. The 9:30 service is live-streamed, recorded, and posted on a public Facebook Page. Your images may be captured and used.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Dear friends, we gather on the ancestral territory of the Anishnaabeg Algonquin, the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet.
May we walk gently together on this land, seeking renewed relationship based on honour, respect, and peace.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Earth has Many a Noble City

CP 158

**Earth has many a noble city;
Bethlehem, thou dost all excel:
out of thee the Lord from heaven
came to rule his Israel.**

**Fairer than the sun at morning
was the star that told his birth,
to the world its God announcing
seen in fleshly form on earth.**

**Eastern sages at his cradle
make oblation rich and rare;
see them give, in deep devotion,**

gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

**Sacred gifts of mystic meaning:
incense doth their God disclose,
gold the King of kings proclaimeth,
myrrh his sepulchre foreshows.**

**Jesus, whom the Gentiles
worshipped
at thy glad epiphany,
unto thee, with God the Father
and the Spirit, glory be.**

CHILDREN'S TALK

*(Children are invited to come forward during the last verse of the Opening Hymn.
The children may join the Church School following the talk.)*

GATHERING

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

And also with you.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Creator of the Heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child: guide and sustain us, so that we may find our journey's end and serve you, overwhelmed with joy.

Amen.

The First Reading is from Isaiah (60:1-6).

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 72:1-7,10-14

Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the king's son;
that he may rule your people righteously
and the poor with justice;

that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,
and the hills, in righteousness.

Let him defend the needy among the people,
rescue the poor, and crush the oppressor.

May he live as long as the sun and moon endure,
from one generation to another.

Let him come down like rain upon the mown field,
like showers that water the earth.

In his time may the righteous flourish;

and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

May the kings of Tarshish and of the isles pay tribute,

and the kings of Sheba and Seba offer gifts.

May all kings bow down before him,

and all the nations do him service.

For the king delivers the poor who cry out in distress,

the oppressed, and those who have no helper.

He has compassion on the lowly and poor,

and preserves the lives of the needy.

From oppression and violence he redeems their lives,

and precious is their blood in his sight.

The Second Reading is from Ephesians (3:1-12).

This is the reason that I, Paul, am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you gentiles, for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God, who created all things, so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

Wise men, they came to look for wisdom,
finding one wiser than they knew;
rich men, they met with one yet richer—
King of the kings, they knelt to you:
Jesus, our wisdom from above,
wealth and redemption, life and love.

Pilgrims they were, from unknown countries,
searching for one who knows the world;
lost are their names and strange their journeys,
famed is their zeal to find the child:
Jesus, in you the lost are claimed,
aliens are found and known and named.

Magi, they stooped to see your splendour,
led by a star to light supreme;
promised Messiah, Lord eternal,
glory and peace are in your name.
Joy of each day, our song by night,
shine on our path your holy light.

Guests of their God, they opened treasures—
incense and gold and solemn myrrh;
welcoming one too young to question
how came these gifts, and what they were.
Gift beyond price of gold or gem,
make among us your Bethlehem.

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Matthew (2:1-12).**

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, magi from the east came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the

Jews? For we observed his star in the east and have come to pay him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him, and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it has been written by the prophet:

‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah, for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’ ”

Then Herod secretly called for the magi and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” When they had heard the king, they set out, and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen in the east, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

CREED

Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Creator God, The psalm reminds us that you will deliver the needy who cry out, and the afflicted who have no one to help. Guide our hearts and hands to help build your kingdom on earth and rescue all from oppression and violence. We pray for those who are fleeing war and persecution, for the millions of refugees seeking a safe harbour, and for those who minister to them. God of love,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for those in our community struggling to put food on the table, searching for a warm bed, and a safe place to call home. Help us to see our neighbours and remind us, in this season of plenty, to share what we have. God of mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all faithful people. In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for Anne, Metropolitan of Ontario and Acting Primate, Christopher, National Indigenous Archbishop, Shane our bishop, Kathryn and Chung Yan our clergy, and all in leadership among us. We pray for Alyson and Anne, interim pastors at First United Church. God of faith,

Hear our prayer.

Loving God, we lift up to you in prayer those who are sick, comfort and strengthen them. and bless those who care for their needs. In our community we pray for:

Emily S.; Shari R.; Peter F.; Michael F.; Brian O.; Michael L.; Cinde C.; Rowan J.; Beryl N.; David N.; Beverley P; Anthony R.; Janice G.; Michael F.; Loris J.

and for those we remember to you in prayer, silently or aloud. We pray for those who have passed from this life to the next and all who mourn their passing. God of hope,

Hear our prayer.

Loving God, like the Magi, guide us in our search for Jesus and keep us safe from those who would do us harm. All this we ask in Jesus' name.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us to table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Share a sign of peace while respecting individual preferences.

OFFERTORY HYMN

What Shall We Give to the Child

SNC 42

What shall we give to the child in the manger?

What shall we give him that he will enjoy?

**Milk and wild honey for this little stranger,
food to give strength for a new little boy.**

What shall we give to the first-born of Mary?

**Things that will nourish a new life begun:
fruits of the forest and figs from the fig tree,
nurtured in soil and ripened by sun.**

**This child must grow to inherit a kingdom,
blossom and ripen like fields of good corn
bearing a seed that will fall and lie buried,
springing up new in the bright Easter morn.**

What shall we give to the child in the manger?

What shall we give him that he will enjoy?

**Give of the best to the one who will save us,
food to give strength to this man still a boy.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 2

May God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to God.**

Let us give thanks to God our Creator

. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you have revealed your eternal plan of salvation, and have shown your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of all peoples. Therefore with angels and archangels we raise our voices in joyful praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

(8:00 am, read together) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

(9:30 am, sung, CP 722) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks

to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, " Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to God's command,

All we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

Amen.

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we pray together,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

With those joining us online, I will lead the Prayer for Spiritual Communion: In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, O Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace and let me never be separated

*Rice wafers are available. Receiving in one kind is receiving the fullness of God's grace. The Common Cup is available for those who wish to receive it. **Please Note: Intinction is not allowed.***

from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come.

Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN

Hope Shines as the Solitary Star

MV 220

Hope shines as the solitary star.

Faith is the inner light.

You and I together mirror the Light of Lights,
and illumine the pathway home.

Peace shines as the solitary star.

Faith is the inner light.

You and I together mirror the Light of Lights,
and illumine the pathway home.

Joy shines as the solitary star.

Faith is the inner light.

You and I together mirror the Light of Lights,
and illumine the pathway home.

Love shines as the solitary star.

Faith is the inner light.

You and I together mirror the Light of Lights,
and illumine the pathway home.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of all the nations of the earth, guide us with your light. Help us to recognize Christ coming to us in this eucharist and in our neighbours. May we welcome him with love, for he is Lord now and for ever.

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

Blessing Song:

May the Lord rejoice with you, may the Lord bless you,
and make his face to shine upon you, the God of Heaven loves you.

SENDING HYMN

As with Gladness Men of Old

CP 160

**As with gladness men of old
did the guiding star behold;
as with joy they hailed its light,
leading onward, beaming bright;
so, most gracious Lord, may we
evermore be led to thee.**

**As with joyful steps they sped,
Saviour, to thy lowly bed,
there to bend the knee before
thee, whom heaven and earth
adore;
so may we with willing feet
ever seek thy mercy seat.**

**As they offered gifts most rare
at that cradle rude and bare,
so may we with joyful song,
raising voices pure and strong,
all our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee our heavenly king.**

**In the heavenly country bright
need they no created light:
thou its light, its joy, its crown,
thou its sun which goes not down;
there forever may we sing
alleluias to our king.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Join us for refreshments in Steacy Hall for fellowship after the 9:30 a.m. service.

Readings for Next Sunday, January 12th, 2025

~~Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17; Luke 3:15-17,21-22~~

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today at 8:00 am:

Sidesperson: Ken McMillan
Readers: Sylvia Shortliffe and Michael Norman
Liturgical Min: John Merrit

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today at 9:30 am:

Sidespeople: Sarah Leveque and Susan Stewart
Readers: Eric Bays and Patricia Bays
Intercessor: Catrina Tapley
Liturgical Min: Steve Sibbald
Euch. Mins: Larry Broome and Elizabeth Harris
Servers:
Hospitality:

Please pray this week for:

- The Diocese of Jerusalem and Archbishop Hosam Naoum The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada and Bishop Susan Johnson and Bishop Carla Blakley The Parish of Huntley The Reverend Dr. Mary-Cate Garden
- The patients, doctors, nurses, and support staff of the Ottawa Hospital Civic Campus and the Royal Ottawa Hospital.

Credits:

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Saints Alive

Weekly News from All Saints' Westboro

January 6th – January 11th

This Week

Monday	10:00 am to 1:00 pm		Food Bank
Tuesday	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm		Food Bank
Wednesday	9:30 am	Quilters	Room 7/8
	10:00 am to 2:00 pm		New-to-You Shop
	10:30 am	Eucharist	Chapel
Thursday	1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Choir	Sanctuary
	4:00 pm to 7:00 pm		Food Bank
	4:30 pm	Centering Prayer	Chapel
Saturday	10:00 am to 2:00 pm		New-to-You Shop

Upcoming Events

TODAY - Jazz Vespers on January 5, 2025, at 4:30pm in the Chapel with Mike Mullin and Tom McMahon.

Men's Breakfast is on Tuesday, January 7th at 8:15 am will gather at Allo! Mon Coco at College Square (1377 Woodroffe Ave).

Bible On Tap – ONLINE – Wednesday, January 8th at 7 pm. We continue to study of "The Negro Bible - The Slave Bible". Our plan is to study the removed parts of the Bible that the slaves were not given access to. Bring your own translation and we will have a lively discussion of context, text, and meaning. **RSVP with Rev. Lam for the link to the online session.**

Partnership Sunday will be on Sunday, January 19th, 2025. We are invited to bring savory and sweet treats to share during coffee hour. **The worship with Eucharist will be at 10:30 am.** This year the liturgy will be prepared by our friends at First United Church and The Venerable Kathryn Otley will be preaching.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated at Ottawa Mennonite Church and hosted by The Christian Council of the Capital Area (CCCA). The CCCA is an ecumenical body in which the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa participates actively. Worship begins at 4:00 pm and a light reception follows for building community among our churches. The year's celebration commemorates the 1500th anniversary of the Nicaean Council and also the 500th anniversary of the Anabaptist movement.

Children and Youth Ministry

LASER TAG! RSVP

January evening - what night of the week works best for you?

Time - around 6:30pm - 2nd or 3rd week of January

RSVP by December 22nd so we can reserve a day and time.

A portion of the cost will be paid by the church.

Building Faith Series - every 4th Sunday after service. January brings new hope to the world and to All Saints Westboro as we expand our Building Faith Series.

1. Sharing Faith with Children - Connect with others and explore how you are perfectly positioned to support God-Connected children. For parents, grandparents and carers of children. **DATE: Sunday, January 26th at 11:00 am**

2. NEW! - Come & Sing - All ages welcome! Come sing your faith; from children's action songs to contemporary worship music. **DATE: Sunday, February 23rd at 11:00 am**

Youth Confirmation - Interest? Please let Janet know if you are interested in joining a confirmation journey starting in the new year as we explore faith together. Connection dates and times to be determined. Confirmation celebration will be in Spring 2026. For Youth ages 12+.

Save the Date: Youth Camp. May 30th - June 2nd: Youth Camp weekend at Lutherlyn Camp on Golden Lake. Connect with Janet for more details and to express interest.

