

SECOND READING **Romans 1.1–7**

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, ²which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, ³the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh ⁴and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, ⁵through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, ⁶including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, ⁷To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

✠ The Word of the Lord. ✠ **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN **323** *The Son of God proclaim*

SUNDERLAND

GOSPEL **St. Matthew 1.18–25** §remain standing

✠ The Lord be with you. ✠ **And with thy spirit.**

✠ +++The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

✠ **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. ²⁰But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” ²²All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: ²³“Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel,” which means, “God is with us.” ²⁴When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, ²⁵but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

✠ The Gospel of Christ. ✠ **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

HOMILY

NICENE CREED §stand

Priest I believe in one God,
All **the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. ++And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE §stand, sit, or kneel

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Priest Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God.

People **Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things and judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we**

from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word and deed, Against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: ++have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

– CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST –

THE PEACE §stand

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

OFFERTORY HYMN **398** *Jesus came, the heavens adoring* TANTUM ERGO

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

✠ All things come of thee, O Lord. ✠ **And of thine own have we given thee.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Priest 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.***

GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer A - Preface of Advent*

Priest The Lord be with you. ***People*** **And with thy spirit.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

Priest

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world; that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

SANCTUS, BENEDICTUS MERBECKE

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. ++Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Priest

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of

bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.” Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.” Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

All

We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

Priest

And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. ***Amen.***

LORD'S PRAYER

Priest And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

All **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

All **We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his blood, That we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.**

FRACTION ANTHEM *Agnus Dei* from *Missa Brevis* in D WALTER MACNUTT (1910–1996)

INVITATION

Priest The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE COMMUNION

During the administration of Communion and the Ablutions, the choir will sing:

HYMN *Come, thou redeemer of the earth* IRBY
ANTHEM *Bethlehem Down* PETER WARLOCK (1894–1930)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest 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

Priest Glory to God,
All 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

Priest The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: †And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN 278 *Thy kingdom come! On bended knee*

IRISH

DISMISSAL

☩ Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
℞ **Thanks be to God.**

*All are invited to Church House
for refreshments after the service.*

St. Luke's is a scent-free space. Please be aware that scents may cause allergic/asthmatic reactions in some of our congregants.

Please silence electronic devices such as cellphones.

On your smartphone or tablet device, the complete 10:30 service which includes hymns, prayers, collects, readings, etc. is available at:
<http://www.stlukewinnipeg.com/assets/161218.pdf>

For Wi-Fi access at church, you can choose St. Luke's guest network:
"Gloria" with the password: "inexcelsis".

VOLUNTARIES

Cradle Song – HENRY G. LEY (1887–1962)
The Holy Boy – JOHN IRELAND (1879–1962)

ANTHEM TEXT

When He is King we will give him the King's gifts, Myrrh for its sweetness, and gold for a crown, "Beautiful robes," said the young girl to Joseph, Fair with her first-born on Bethlehem Down. (2)Bethlehem Down is full of the starlight Winds for the spices, and stars for the gold, Mary for sleep, and for lullaby music Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold. (3)When He is King they will clothe him in grave-sheets, Myrrh for embalming, and wood for a crown, He that lies now in the white arms of Mary, Sleeping so lightly on Bethlehem Down. (4) Here He has peace and a short while for dreaming, Close huddled oxen to keep him from cold, Mary for love, and for lullaby music Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold. – *Text by Bruce Blunt (1899–1957)*

*A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
Today at 4:00 P.M.*

*This parish has been blessed
by your presence today.*

ASSISTING TODAY -

Wreath Lighting: Megan Roberts and family
Lectors: Gail Mildren, Don Seaton
Chalice Bearers: Irmy Friesen, Joanne Tapscott
Sidespersons: Susan Gandier, Kathy Mikkelsen
Deacon: Rev'd Maylanne Maybee
Crucifer: Don Seaton
Senior Acolyte: Vivien Isfeld
Acolytes: Barbara Calder, Kris Watson
Intercessor: Jeff Brown
Oblationers: Peggy Eastwood, Kevin Webb
Counters: Susan Tinsley, Malcolm Tinsley
Altar Guild: Sheila Welbergen
Catechists: Lomalanga Mkhabela, Heather Lampman
Coffee Hosts: Delicious Dishes
(proceeds to Delicious Dishes)

If you would like your birth date or anniversary published in the pew leaflet, please contact the parish office.

Happy Birthday

Marcena Crang 18th December
Philbert Furere 20th December
Edna Churchill 21st December
Michael Krak 23rd December
Michael Croft 24th December

INTERCESSIONS

In The Anglican Communion, we pray for:

- The Anglican Church in Kilmore; Elphin & Ardagh The Rt. Rev. Ferran Glenfield
- The Director, The Rev. Dr. Eileen Scully, and staff of the Faith, Worship, and Ministry Department, Anglican Church of Canada
- Our bishops: Fred, Mark, Greg, and Donald; Lutheran bishop Elaine Sauer, ELCIC Dean; and our companion diocese bishop, Jackson Matovu and his wife, Perusi of Central Buganda
- All other bishops and diocesan leaders throughout Canada
- Our elders, that we may continue to recognize the wisdom they contribute to their communities
- All people in the world affected by natural disasters and strife
- The Canadians deployed abroad and their families

In our diocese, we pray for:

- our parishes and communities
- faith and healing at this season of Advent and Christmas

In our parish, we pray for:

- our clergy, Paul (rector), John, Jane, Tom, and Maylanne, the staff, the people of our parish
- our companion parish, St. Peter, Lwanga; Patrick, priest, and his ongoing transportation needs
- Outreach Ministries of our parish, particularly: Healing, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Chancel Guild.

Next Sunday: 25th December - *Christmas Day*

10:30 A.M. - SAID EUCHARIST WITH CAROLS

Isaiah 9.2-7 • Psalm 96 *Cantate domino.*
Titus 2.11-14 • St. Luke 2.1-14

The Parish Church
of St. Luke

The Fourth Sunday
of Advent

18TH DECEMBER, 2016

WELCOME GUESTS

Newcomers are encouraged to make themselves known to the clergy and to phone the parish office at 204.452.3609 should you wish to express any needs or concerns.

Please complete a visitor leaflet or envelope with your email address if you would like to receive parish newsletters sent to you regularly.

8:15 A.M. – SAID EUCHARIST

Service: BAS 230 • **Collect:** BAS 271 • **Psalm:** 80.1-7, 18-19 *Qui regis Israel.*
Lay Reader: Manasah Mkhabela • **Lectors:** Roberta Bishop, Ian Dark
Sidesperson: Pat Philpott • **Chalice Bearer:** Pat

10:30 A.M. – SUNG EUCHARIST AND HEALING

Service Music Setting: JOHN MERBECKE (1510-1585)

Large-print versions of the Service are available from the Sidespersons.

– GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY –

HYMN 42 *All hail the power of Jesus' name* MILES LANE (2ND TUNE)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH *separate leaflet*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest 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 for ever. *Amen.*

– PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD –

FIRST READING Isaiah 7.10-16

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, "Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. "But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. "Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? "Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. "He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. "For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

☩ The Word of the Lord. ℞ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 80.1-7, 18-19 *Qui regis Israel (Coverdale)* *Chant:* SIR I.A. ATKINS (1869-1953)

Hear O thou shepherd of Israel, thou that ledest Joseph like a sheep; * **shew thyself also, thou that sittest upon the cherubims.**

- 2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasses, * **stir up thy strength, and come and help us.**
 - 3 Turn us again, O God; * **shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.**
 - 4 O Lord God of hosts, * **how long wilt thou be angry with thy people that prayeth?**
 - 5 Thou feedest them with the bread of tears, * **and givest them plenteousness of tears to drink.**
 - 6 Thou hast made us a very strife unto our neighbours, * **and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**
 - 7 Turn us again, thou God of hosts; * **shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.**
 - 18 And so will not we go back from thee: * **O let us live, and we shall call upon thy Name.**
 - 19 Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts, * **shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be | whole.**
- Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.**
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.