





ST. TIMOTHY ANGLICAN CHURCH

A Welcoming Christian Community in North Burnaby

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*Welcome to this holy place, where Christians have praised God for over fifty years.
This Christmas we join our worship with the whole communion of saints,
on earth and in heaven, as we celebrate the Incarnation.*

*May Emmanuel be present in your heart as you sing the old familiar carols and gather
around the table to share his meal.*

*Looking for a special home? Come & experience our Sundays at 10 am or 9 pm.
Fellowship groups begin again in the New Year. There are opportunities for
young families, students, singles, and seniors to grow deeper in faith.
Check our website or leave a message at the Parish Office.*

The Rev. Stephanie Shepard
Maribeth Mainer, Gordon Arthur, Caroline Chady
Vern Seel
Joe McDonald, Kirsten Oldale
Lizz Lawrence

Rector
Wardens
Treasurer
Musicians
Office Assistant

Page numbers refer to the green Book of Alternative Services (BAS).

Our hymnbooks are the blue Common Praise (CP) and the bright green Songs for a Gospel People (SGP). Bibles and music for the mass are found in the pews.

*During Advent this year, our theme has been “**The New Creation**”. As we light the
candles on the wreath, we reflect on our role as stewards and partners
with God in Christ Jesus.*

THE BETHLEHEM MASS

CHRISTMAS EVE - 7:00 pm

Communion Assistants are Matthew Senf & Maribeth Mainer.

Sides People are Bob Bolwell & Pat Henderson.

The Gathering of the Community

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Advent Hymn: "Long Before the Night" *All verses*

(See pink leaflet in pews)

Lighting of the **Christ Candle**.

Prayer for Christmas Eve

(said by all)

Lord Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you, our Saviour and our eternal God. Amen.

Hebrew Scripture Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7 (Maribeth Mainer)

Bible p. 638 OT

Gradual Hymn: "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

CP #128

Christmas Gospel: Luke 2:1-20 (Matthew Senf)

Bible p. 58 NT

Procession to Bethlehem and The Blessing of the Crèche

A Christmas Story:

The Rev. Stephanie Shepard

Prayers of the People (Becky Barnes)

The Peace

BAS p. 191

Offertory Hymn: "Good Christians, All, Rejoice"

CP #153

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

(said by all)

Source of light and gladness, accept all we offer you on this joyful feast. May we grow up in him who unites our lives in yours; for he is Lord now and forever. Amen.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff is for the Presider and Congregation, with lyrics: "The Lord be with you. And al-so with you." The second staff is for the Presider and Congregation, with lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Presider and Congregation, with lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is" The fourth staff is for the Presider and Congregation, with lyrics: "right to give God thanks and praise."

Eucharistic Prayer 3:

Presider: Blessed are you, Gracious God...
...to proclaim the glory of your name,

Sanctus/Benedictus:

Haugen, p.11

Congregation:

The image shows a musical score for a congregation. It consists of five staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!"

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

Presider: We give thanks to you, Lord our God...

...Therefore, Father, according to his command,

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

Presider: and we offer our sacrifice...

...almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer:

The Breaking of Bread #6:

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

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

Presider: The gifts of God for people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE MIDNIGHT MASS
CHRISTMAS EVE - 11:00 pm

Communion Assistants are Donnie Foerster, Gordon Arthur & Becky Barnes.
Sides People are Bob Bolwell & Pat Henderson.

Processional Hymn: “Long Before the Night” *All verses* (See pink leaflet in pews)

Greeting:

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

People: And also with you.

Presider: Almighty God,

All: 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.

Gloria – “Angels We Have Heard On High”

ELW # 38

1. Angels we have on heard high sweetly singing o’er the plains,
And the mountains in reply echoing back their joyous strains.
Chorus: Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.
2. Shepherds why this Jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be which inspire your heavenly song. *Chorus*
3. Come to Bethlehem to see him whose birth the angels sing
Come adore on bended knee Christ the Lord the newborn King. *Chorus*
4. See him in a manger laid, whom the choirs of angels praise;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, while our hearts in love we raise. *Chorus*

Prayer for Christmas Eve (*said by all*)

Almighty God, as we prepare with joy to celebrate the gift of the Christ-child, embrace the earth with your glory and be for us a living hope in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hebrew Scripture: Isaiah 9:2-7 (Gordon Arthur)

Bible p. 638 OT

Gradual Hymn: “Once in Royal David’s City”

CP#123

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1-20 (Charles Barnes)

Bible p. 58 NT

The Christmas Message:

The Rev. Stephanie Shepard

The Nicene Creed

BAS p. 188

Presider: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

The Prayers of the People: (Donnie Foerster)

The Peace

Presider: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with your neighbours.

Offertory Hymn: "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

CP #118

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

(said by all)

**Source of light and gladness, accept all we offer you on this joyful feast. May
we grow up in him who unites our lives in yours; for he is Lord now and
forever. Amen.**

**** At the repeat, we sing for Ver. 5 - "You Are God's Word of Promise Made Flesh:"**

Communion Hymns: "The First Nowell" CP # 139
"Silent Night" CP # 119
Prayer after Communion (said by all)

God of all, tonight you have united earth and heaven in sending your Son to take our human nature. May we who have tasted heavenly things share in the life of his eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Christmas Blessing
Recessional Hymn: "Joy to the World" CP #154

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**THE CHRIST MASS**  
**CHRISTMAS DAY - 10:00 am**

Processional Hymn: "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" CP # 48

Greeting:

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

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: Almighty God,

**All: 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.**

Prayer for Christmas Day (said by all)

**God whose Word became flesh, breathe a new song of joy and praise into the world, so that we may bear the good news of your salvation and proclaim your promise of peace to the ends of the earth; through Christ the Word. Amen.**

**The Proclamation of the Word**

First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10 Bible p. 683 OT

Silence

Second Reading: Psalm 98

- 1 Sing a new song to the Lord, \* who has done marvellous things.
- 2 Whose right hand and holy arm \* have won the victory.
- 3 O Lord, you have made known your victory; \*  
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

- 4 You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel, \*  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; \* lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, \* with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn \* shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea roar and all that fills it, \* the world and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, \*  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, who comes to judge the earth.
- 10 The Lord will judge the world with righteousness \* and the peoples with equity.

Silence

The Holy Gospel: John 1:1-14

Bible p. 91 NT

The Christmas Message:

Rev. Stephanie Shepard

Prayers of the People

Confession, Absolution, and the Peace

BAS p. 191

Offertory Hymn: "See Amid the Winter's Snow"

CP #148

### **The Celebration of the Eucharist**

Prayer Over the Gifts (said by all)

**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

BAS p. 198

The Lord's Prayer

(*said by all*) BAS p. 211

The Breaking of Bread

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

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

Communion Hymn: "Before the World Began"

CP # 621

Prayer after Communion

(*said by all*)

**God 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.**

Christmas Blessing

Recessional Hymn: "Love Came Down at Christmas"

CP #131

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR** today are offered to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for all ministers and the Alter Guild members who have so faithfully served in this parish.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** from Dec. 24, 2015 to Jan. 3, 2016. Regular office hours resume Jan. 04, 2016. In a pastoral emergency, please contact one of the Wardens through the Parish office at 604-299-6816.

**TAX RECEIPTS WILL BE ISSUED IN JANUARY.** If you would like your contribution for 2015 to be recorded this year, please make your offering by December 27, 2015!

**MISSING COFFEE POT!** A 36-cup percolator has sprouted legs and walked from the church kitchen. Anyone spotting this animal is to contact Donnie Foerster.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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| Sunday | Dec. 27 | 10:00 am | Lessons & Carols for Christmas – <i>with a special open collection for Syrian refugees.</i> |
| Sunday | Jan. 24 | 3:00 pm  | Choral Evensong for the Feast of St. Timothy with the Christ Church Cathedral Choir         |