

Epiphany Anglican Church
1290 Ogilvie Road, Ottawa
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Come Journey with Us!

Welcome to Epiphany! We are glad you are here today.
If you are visiting, please make yourself at home.

We have a vibrant children and youth program
with Sunday School at our 9:30 am service.

Note that the 9:30 am service is
live-streamed, recorded, and posted to social media.

The Gathering of the Community

Our Diocese of Ottawa was founded on the homeland of the Anishinaabe Algonquin. **May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.**

♪ **Opening Hymn** O Come, O Divine Messiah (B95) ♪

O come, divine Messiah; the world in silence waits the day
When hope shall sing its triumph and sadness flee away.
Dear Saviour, haste! Come, come to earth.
Dispel the night and show your face,
And bid us hail the dawn of grace.
O come, divine Messiah; the world in silence waits the day
When hope shall sing its triumph and sadness flee away.

Venez, divin Messie, nous rendre espoir et nous sauver!
Vous êtes notre vie! Venez, venez, venez!
Ô Fils de Dieu, ne tardez pas;
Par votre corps donnez la joie
À notre monde en désarroi.
Redîtes-nous encore de quel amour vous nous aimez;
Tant d'hommes vous ignorent! Venez, venez, venez!

You come in peace and meekness and lowly will your cradle be;
All clothed in human weakness shall we your Godhead see.
Dear Saviour, haste! Come, come to earth.
Dispel the night and show your face,
And bid us hail the dawn of grace.
O come, divine Messiah; the world in silence waits the day
When hope shall sing its triumph and sadness flee away.

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.**

♪ Trisagion ♪

Holy God, Holy and mighty,
Holy immortal one, have mercy upon us (x3)

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray. O God of all the ages, rouse us from sleep, deliver us from our heedless ways and form us into a watchful people, so that, at the advent of your Son, we may be found doing what is right, mindful of all you command. We ask this through him whose coming is certain and whose day draws near, your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Wreath Gathering

We light this candle in hope and expectation.
Jesus is the light of the world. *The first candle is lit.*

♪ Candle Song ♪

Light the Advent candle, one:
Now the waiting has begun;
we have started on our way,
time to think of Christmas day.

Candle, candle, burning bright,
shining in the cold winter night;
candle, candle, burning bright,
fill our hearts with Christmas light.

The Proclamation of the Word

A reading from the Book of Isaiah (64:1-9)

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence - as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil - to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways.

But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.

Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

♪ Psalm 80: 1-7, 16-18 ♪

REFRAIN Show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim. In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up your strength and come to help us. Restore us, O God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. **R**

O God of hosts, how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people? You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink. **R**

You have made us the derision of our neighbours, and our enemies laugh us to scorn. Restore us, O God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. **R**

Let your hand be upon your chosen people, those you have made so strong for yourself. And so will we never turn away from you; give us life, that we may call upon your name. Restore us, O God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. **R**

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (1:3-9)

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind - just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you - so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

♪ Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!** ♪

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (13:24-37). **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come.

It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake - for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

Anthem "Celtic Advent Carol" *by David Angerman and Michael Barrett*

The Apostles' 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, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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.**

The Prayers of the People

In hope and expectation, we bring to God our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need. *A brief silence.*

Strengthen your church in this season of anticipation. We pray for Kathryn, our Bishop; Anne, our Metropolitan; Shane, our Primate, and for all retired clergy of our diocese. We pray for Kairos Ottawa & St Paul University, our diocesan partners. We pray for the Parish of South Dundas and all who minister there. We pray for our own parish of the Epiphany with Rev. Simone, our priest, and all who lead ministry here. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Come and restore the earth. Give rest to weary lands and renewed life to species at risk. Make us wise stewards of the places we call home. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Bring peace among all nations and communities. Embolden leaders to seek creative and sustainable resolutions to war and conflict. Show us new possibilities in places where peace has been elusive. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Sustain all who are heavy with weariness, grief, illness, or worry. We pray especially for those who have asked for our prayers: **Jody** (Shaw), **Pierre** (Poirier), **Ghassan**, **Aaron** (Blakely) **& Family**, **Fred** (Sherman), **José** (Rodrigues), **Lisa** (Van Alstine), **Rita & Colin** (Hurst), **Betiel** (Gideon), **the Douglas Family**, **Julie** (Foster), **Faith**, **Miroslav** (Slejska), **Mary** (Jonah), **Maria**, **Riccardo**, **Margareth**, **Ambar**, **Tendeh**, **Janine & Mike**, **Linda** (Tasovac), **Ruth**, **Curtis**, **Darcy** (Colenutt), **Nicole** (Asite), **Don** (Raymond) **& Family**, **Kathy & Family**, **Bobby**, **Saindass** (Aeri), **Ryan** (Thompson), **Vanessa & Talhia** (L), **Celestine** (Bynoe), **Michael** (Blakely), **Jilleen**, **Yagu** (Coker), **Stephen** (Jolicoeur), **Linda** (Plourde), **Belinda** (Cone), **Martin & Crystal** (Thieringer), **Nellie** (Miller), **Roy** (Moffett), **Sherri** (Gaudreau), **Norah** (Kerrivan), **Grace**, **Anna** (Herd) and any others we name aloud or in our hearts. *A brief silence.* Comfort families who are estranged from one another and any who are separated from loved ones. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

You embrace all the saints from the far reaches of the earth. We remember with care all who have died and now abide in their eternal home. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

We entrust these and the prayers of our hearts to you, most holy God, in the name of Christ Jesus our Saviour. **Amen**.

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to the 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.**

The Peace

We remember to share the Peace with those worshiping online.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

♪ **Offertory Hymn** Soon and Very Soon (R239) ♪

Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King (x3)
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King

No more crying there, we are going to see the King (x3)
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King

No more dying there…

No more sadness there…

Lots of happiness…

Bring your friends along…

Let's all clap for joy…

The Prayer over the Gifts

You are invited to place your financial gift on the collection plate near the baptismal font before or after service. Alternatively, scan this QR code to give electronically.

God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe. ♪ **Glory to you for ever and ever.** ♪

You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing: ♪ **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. Blest is the one who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna; hosanna in the highest.** ♪

We give you thanks and praise, loving Creator, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected. Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people. ♪ **Glory to you for ever and ever.** ♪

On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me." ♪ **Glory to you for ever and ever.** ♪

Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children. ♪ **Glory to you for ever and ever.** ♪

Creator, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom. We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. ♪ **Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.** ♪

at 8:00 am

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

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.

at 9:30 am

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we sing:

♪ **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, amen.** ♪

God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom. **Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.**

The gifts of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion in bread and/or wine. If you'd prefer not to receive, cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. Let Rev. Simone know if you need a gluten-free wafer. The sidespeople will direct you to receive around the altar.

♪ **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. (x2) Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace.** ♪

♪ **Communion Hymn** Great Is Thy Faithfulness (R90) ♪

Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain Great is thy faithfulness,
Great is thy faithfulness,
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided;
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. **R**

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside. **R**

The Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing & Announcements

♪ **Closing Hymn** People, Look East! (B91) ♪

People, look east! The time is near
Of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
Trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the guest, is on the way.

Furrows, be glad! Though earth is bare,
One more seed is planted there:
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,
That in course the flower may flourish.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the rose, is on the way.

Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
Guard the nest that must be filled.
Even the hour when wings are frozen
God for fledging time has chosen.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the bird, is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch: When night is dim
One more light the bowl shall brim,
Shining beyond the frosty weather,
Bright as sun and moon together.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the star, is on the way.

Angels, announce with shouts of mirth
Christ who brings new life to earth.
Set every peak and valley humming
With the word, the Lord is coming.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the Lord, is on the way.

Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Announcements



Advent at Epiphany



A Contemplative Journey Through Mark Join us on three Thursday evenings during Advent—December 3, 10 and 17--as we read through the Gospel of Mark and spend time in contemplative prayer. These quiet evenings will also feature Taizé music. A potluck dinner will be served at 5:45 pm with the prayer service beginning at 6:15 pm.

Advent Paper Chains Remember making paper chains for Christmas? On Sundays during Advent, a table in the narthex will hold the necessary supplies for everyone to participate in making chains to decorate Epiphany. But first, write something for which you are thankful on the strip of paper and tuck that inside the loop. Week by week, the growing chains will be a festive decoration and a visual reminder of our gratitude. So mark the days until Christmas and indulge in a little nostalgia!

Alongside God: Active Waiting in Times of Uncertainty and Difference Subscribe to this daily Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF) Advent resource where author Brittan Hudson explores "active waiting," a holy, gritty posture of expectation that engages with uncertainty and difference, to become the ground for change. Subscribe by visiting alongsidehope.org/advent-sign-up-page.

Epiphany's Christmas Bazaar It's that time of year again! Our popular craft & bake sale is next Saturday, December 5 from 9 am to 2 pm and needs your help, sign up to volunteer using the sheet in the narthex or email fellowship@epiphanyanglican.ca or bake something sweet for the bake sale. Drop off your baked goods on Friday, December 4 between 5 and 8 pm. Invite your family and friends to this festive event!

Alongside Hope Christmas Cards & Church Calendars Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF) Christmas cards are now available for a donation of $25 each, and church calendars are available for $7 each. Both are available in the narthex or by emailing the church.

Angels Foundation Christmas Party The Angels Foundation supports refugee claimants and other newcomers with practical support, genuine community and cultural programming. Members of Epiphany are invited to attend the Angels Foundation annual Christmas party on Saturday, December 12 at 4 pm at the Overbrook Community Centre (33 Quill St), and to contribute desserts and decorations. Please speak with Angela after church to learn how you can participate.

Creative Connections Tuesdays between 10 am & noon. All are welcome to come and enjoy a cup of coffee and join in a friendly game of cards, chess, join the group at the crafting table, or work on a jigsaw puzzle. The more the merrier!

Epiphany Christmas Services

Dec 24	Christmas Eve	4:00 pm	Pageant with Worship Band & Holy Eucharist
		6:30 pm	Carol Sing
		7:00 pm	Choral Eucharist
Dec 25	Christmas Day	9:30 am	Service of the Word
Dec 27	1st Sunday after Christmas	9:30 am	Quiet Eucharist
Jan 3	The Epiphany of the Lord	9:30 am	Intergenerational Choral Eucharist with Worship Band & Potluck Brunch
Jan 10	The Baptism of the Lord	8:00 am	Quiet Eucharist
		9:30 am	Choral Eucharist

Get in Touch & Get Involved!
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Giving to Epiphany

Did you know that Epiphany's activities and outreach are entirely funded by parishioner donations? There are many ways to help:
e-transfer epiphanyanglican@gmail.com,
automatic giving (email office@epiphanyanglican.ca),
or placing a gift on the collection plate.
All gifts are important and appreciated!

Assisting in Ministry at 9:30 am this Morning

Greeter	Gail LaBarbera
Altar Guild	Shelley Harvey, Judy Lee
Crucifer	Judy Lee
Sidespeople	Jos Cleary, Laurence Sianchuk
Readers	Susan Liddle, Gillian Keane
Psalmist	Sandy Harris
Prayer Leader	Christa O'Hare
Communion Assistants	Valerie Maier, Shelley Harvey
Coffee Hosts	James & Sandy Menard, Susan Liddle
Lock Up	Jos Cleary

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Contact Form

Are you new to Epiphany? Have you moved or changed coordinates, or would you like a name tag? How about becoming involved in a particular way or have ideas for our parish and community? Use this form and place it on the offering plate.

Name _____

Email Address _____

Tel Number (optional) _____

Address (optional) _____

I would like a name tag Yes Not at this time

I would like a call from the priest Yes Not at this time

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