

We Gather As God's People

Welcome: If you are visiting us - Welcome!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In lieu of Lessons & Carols this year, both churches will have a Congregation Carol Sing before the commencement of the service.

#118 O Come All Ye Faithful (v1-4 only)

#140 It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

#122 In the Bleak Midwinter

#139 The First Noel

Leader I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to his word. *Luke 1:38*

H YMN # 120 O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL ADESTE FIDELES

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE OF MARY

Leader Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Those who follow me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

All Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly.
(Light the Candles of Hope, Peace and Joy)

The angel said to her, "Don't be afraid, Mary; God has been gracious to you. You will become pregnant and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High God. The Lord God will make him a king, as his ancestor David was, and he will be the king of the descendants of Jacob for ever; his kingdom will never end."

Luke 1:30-33



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THE PARISH OF CAMPBELLFORD,
HASTINGS AND ROSENEATH
CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 19TH, 2021 ~ 9:00 AM

We light this candle to remind us of Mary, who was willing, first of all people, to let the light of the Lord shine through her and bring the Saviour to the world. Because of her faithfulness and love, Jesus, the Messiah, was born to us.

All Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly.

(Light the Candle of Mary)

Leader Let us pray.

All Father, you called Mary to be the mother of your Son, so that the world could be saved and brought to new birth. Help us also bring the light of Christ to birth wherever there is darkness and despair, and to work for the coming of your Kingdom. Amen.

A moment of silent reflection is observed.

Leader 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.

EXHORTATION

Leader Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

GENERAL CONFESION *(Kneeling or sitting as you are able)*

Leader Most merciful God,
All 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.

THE COLLECT OF FORGIVENESS

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

People Amen.

Leader O Lord, open thou our lips;

People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Leader O God, make speed to save us;

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

(All Stand)

Leader Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

People As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Leader Praise ye the Lord;

People The Lord's Name be praised.

19A THE SONG OF ZECHARIAH *Luke 1.68-79*

All Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; he has come to his people and set them free. He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the house of his servant David. Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us. He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant. This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life. You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation by

the forgiveness of their sins. In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

We Listen to God's Word

Reader A reading from the book of Micah

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace. MICAH 5:2-5A

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
All Thanks be to God.

Reader A reading from Psalm 80

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.

O Lord 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.

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.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ, our good shepherd; you have led us to the kingdom of your Father's love. Forgive our careless indifference to your loving care for all your creatures, and remake us in the likeness of your new and risen life. We ask this in your name.

Amen. PSALM 80:1-7

(*Said Standing*)

18a THE SONG OF MARY Luke 1.46-55

All My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour; for he has looked with favour on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel, for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Reader A reading from the letter to the **Hebrews**

When Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. HEBREWS 10:5-10

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN # 117 Lo, How a ROSE E'ER BLOOMING

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(Please stand)

Reader A reading from the Gospel of **Luke**

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

LUKE 1:39-45

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SERMON Nancy DeKuyper

ANTHEM THE BASQUE CAROL (GABRIEL'S MESSAGE)

We Respond to God's Word

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Leader Let us confess our faith, as we say,
All 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.

H YMN # 320 YE WATCHERS AND YE HOLY ONES

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PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Leader Gracious God,

All 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor Let us pray.

(Kneeling or sitting as you are able)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

People Christ, have mercy upon us.

Intercessor Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Said)

Intercessor And now, as our Saviour Christ has 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.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Intercessor 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.

COLLECTS FOR PEACE AND GRACE

Intercessor O Lord our heavenly Father,

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May our hearts leap for joy as we again assemble in prayer to await the Lord's coming. With Mary may our souls proclaim God's greatness as we say: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the church: As the celebration of your incarnation draws near, we remember the many ways your revelation is lifted up in the world. We pray for our sisters and brothers in Christ, praying as we do today, in house churches in China, in Black storefronts in urban America, on Indian reservations in rural areas, in Black townships in South Africa, in indigenous churches in Africa, in base communities in the barrios of Latin America, in Europe among the foreign workers, in our own communities among the infirm, the homeless, and the dying. Wherever the church is found on the frontiers of mission and service, may your ministry be strengthened and our vision of

ministry be stretched. Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor For this assembly: May we be enriched by our diversity and dedicated to preparing leadership for the future, acknowledging our present gifts, and remembering those who in the past birthed us into faith. Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor For the young Marys and Josephs in our society, and for new-born children, especially those undernourished and without parental love and care: May all be given a home and an atmosphere of home-making. Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor For an end to violence, oppression and injustice: As you lead us, Lord, from darkness to light, make us children of the light. May we join with Mary's song that we may be among those who exalt the lowly and fill the hungry with good things, routing out the proud of heart and drawing courage from the power of your arm. Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor For our own spirit: With Mary may our hearts be magnified, made much bigger than we imagine them to be. May the new breath of Advent stir in us such ardor that we extend ourselves much more than we thought possible. May we like Mary set out across the barren country without fear, to visit the Elizabeths in our lives. Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for the homeless, the hungry, and the sick especially Al, Ann, Barry, Bette, Bill, Bob, Brian, Caroline, Catherine, David, Dave N. Dianne, Don, Doug, Ed, Eileen, Gayle, Heather, Jack, Jennifer, Joan, John, Kelly, Linda, Margaret, Marie-Eve, Ottley, Ruth, Sheldon, Vanessa Wayne, and for those known only to you, that they may find comfort and healing in the one who shelters them with holy presence, guides them to springs of living water, and wipes away every tear from their eyes. Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor Today in our Anglican Cycle of prayer we pray for the Parish of Bobcaygeon, Dunsford & Burnt River, its food bank, refugee support, prayer shawl ministry, and support of Sleeping Children Around the World and other outreach initiatives; for the Parish of Campbellford, Hastings and Roseneath, its school breakfast and lunch programs, its weekly dinners, its Deacon's Cupboard, support of Warkworth Hospice, and refugee sponsorship; and for Christ Church, Bolton, its support for Caledon Community Services, its community garden, prayer shawl ministry, Christmas stocking outreach to the King Nursing Home, and support of other local outreach programs. Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor In this Community of Campbellford we offer our prayers for, the Campbellford Baptist Church. Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Lord, we gather up the prayers of this household, confident that as each day you transform darkness into light you know our deepest thoughts and will refresh our spirits. We pray in the name of the one who transforms principalities and powers and renews heaven and earth, Christ our Lord. Amen

COVID PRAYER

GENERAL THANKSGIVING

All Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM

All Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or

three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfil now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you,

Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

GRACE

All The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

We Are Empowered For Mission

THE BLESSING

BENEDICTION HYMN

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face to shine upon you
To shine upon you and be gracious
And be gracious unto you
The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you
And give you peace, and give you peace. Amen.

H YMN # 91
P EOPLE. LOOK EAST! THE TIME IS NEAR
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~DISMISSAL~

Today's Readers

1st Lesson OT	Alden Mitchell
Psalm	Connie Woodcock
2nd Lesson	Glen Woodcock
Gospel	Nancy DeKuyper
Prayers	Marlene Dooher

Next Week's Readers, December 26th

1st Lesson OT	Marlene Dooher
Psalm	Neil Fulton
2nd Lesson	Connie Woodcock
Gospel	Rev. Bryce Sangster
Prayers	Nancy DeKuyper

The Voice Newsletter

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2022 Offering Envelopes

Please pick-up your box of envelopes from Jenkins Hall

Treasurer's Report NOVEMBER 2021

Following is a comparison of Envelope Givings, Total Income, Total Operating Costs, Actual vs Budget January - November

	November 2021	November 2021	November 2021	
	YTD	YTD	YTD	
Givings	Budget	Actuals	Variance	2021
Other Revenue	70,250	65,035	(5,215)	80,500
Expenses	33,744	29,812	(3,932)	38,111
Surplus/(Deficit) from Operations	(147,683)	(120,935)	26,748	(161,177)
Operations Support from Designated Fund	(43,689)	(26,088)	17,601	(42,566)
Investment Income	0	0	0	0
NET LOSS/DEFICIT	3,888	4,175	287	5,235
	(39,802)	(21,913)	17,888	(37,331)

Submitted by Meghan Valentine, Christ Church Treasurer

Christmas Eve Services

December 24th, Holy Communion

St. George, Hastings ~ 4pm

Christ Church, Campbellford ~ 7pm



The Parish of Campbellford, Hastings and Roseneath invite s you to join us in our Christmas Service, so that we can all worship together, and by the way bring a friend.

Next Sunday December 26, 2021 ~ Rev. Bryce Sangster
1st Sunday After Christmas, ~ Holy Communion

Readings

1 SAMUEL 2:18-20, 26

PSALM 148

COLOSSIANS 3:12-17

LUKE 2:41-52

Bible readings are taken from The New Revised Standard Version.

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