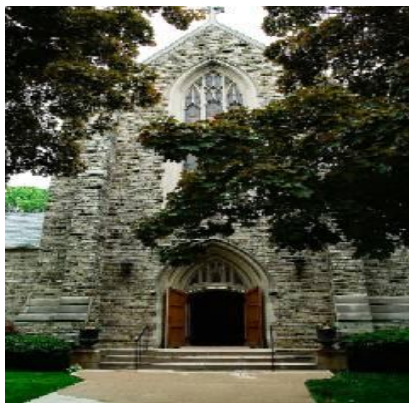


Welcome to St. Timothy's



The Epiphany of the Lord

January 8, 2012

8 am Holy Eucharist

Presider, The Reverend Canon Greg Symmes

Liturgy Book of Common Prayer, Liturgy Green Book p230

Scripture readings see the 10 am service

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 Green Book p797

10 am Holy Eucharist

Presider, The Reverend Canon Greg Symmes

Preacher, The Reverend Maggie Helwig

Master of Ceremonies, June Jefford

Greeters, George Goodwin, Gloria Shaw, Marina Waddingham

Communion Assistants, Elizabeth Potts, Anne DeGrasse, Joanna White, Ann Nurse

Servers, Christie Stevenson, Ann Nurse, John Holden

Music, The Mass of St. Timothy, J Anthony Dawson

Welcome to St Timothy's

We're glad you're here! At the 10 am service, there's a Nursery for babies & toddlers (up the west aisle of the church into the parish hall); if you wish to leave your child in the nursery, we can provide you with a pager, in case we need to reach you. The west chapel is also a place for parents with young children to sit with strollers, if you prefer not to take your child to the nursery. We have Sunday School for children from age three through twelve, and our youth group meets once a month. Parents are welcome to pick up younger children from church school or the nursery for communion, otherwise they should pick them up as soon as the church service is over. Hearing assist devices are available at the back of the church.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude How Brightly Beams the Morning Star (Buxtehude)

Hymn 160 'As with Gladness Men of Old'

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Theme for the day

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

All: **And also with you.**

The Gloria

Glo-ry to God in the high est, and peace to his peo-ple on
earth. Lord God, hea-ven ly king, al-might-ty God and
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
Son of the Fa - ther Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world: have
mer - cy on us; you are sea - ted at the right hand of the
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus
Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the day

All: Eternal God, who by a star led wise men to the worship of your Son. Guide by your light the nations of the earth, that the whole world may know your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Children's Talk

The Proclamation of the Word

A reading from Isaiah

Elaine Hill

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

² 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.

³ Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

⁴ 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.

⁵ 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.

⁶ 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.

Isaiah 60:1-6

Silence is kept for reflection

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

People: Thanks be to God.

A reading from Ephesians

Kimberlee Blyden-Taylor

¹This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— ²for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵In 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: ⁶that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

⁷ Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power.

⁸Although 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, ⁹and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; ¹⁰so 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.

¹¹This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹²in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Ephesians 3:1-12

Silence is kept for reflection

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 158 'Earth Has Many a Noble City' Stuttgart
(Verses 1 - 3)

The Gospel Matthew 2:1-12 *please turn to the reader*

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

¹In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶ "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." '

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then 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.' ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at

its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was.
¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were
overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On 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. ¹²And having been warned
in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country
by another road.

Silence is kept for reflection

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn 158 (*Verses 4 & 5*)

The Sermon

The Reverend Maggie Helwig

Silence is kept for reflection

Anthem 'O Leave Your Sheep'

Kenneth Leighton

O leave your sheep, your lambs that follow after,
O leave the brook, the pasture and the crook.
No longer weep, turn weeping into laughter,
O shepherds seek your goal.
Your Lord, who cometh to console.

You'll find him laid within a simple stable,
A babe newborn, in poverty forlorn,
In love arrayed, a love so deep,
'Tis able to search the night for you,
'Tis he the shepherd true.

O kings so great, a light is streaming o'er you,
More radiant far than diadem or star.
Forego your state, a baby lies before you
Whose wonder shall be told.
Bring myrrh, bring frankincense and gold.

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The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

David Dimick

Confession and Absolution

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The Peace

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The Celebration of the Eucharist

Passing the Plate

Many of our parishioners choose to make their financial contribution to the Church via pre-authorized giving and, as a result do not put anything on the Offering Plate when it is passed around. For information about this contact the church office. We understand that our offerings to God involve more than money.

Offertory Hymn 159 'Brightest and Best'

Stella Orientis

Prayer over the gifts

All: 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.

Eucharistic Prayer#3

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The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread#6

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The Lamb of God

Communion *Baptized Christians, of all denominations and ages, are invited and encouraged to share with us in communion. If you will not be receiving the bread and wine, we'd be pleased to bless you if you would join us at the High Altar. All are welcome.*

Communion Hymns

151 'All Poor Folk and Humble'

Olwen

152 'Let Folly Praise That Fancy Loves'

A Purple Rose

Kimberlee Blyden-Taylor, flute

Prayers after Communion

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

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.

The Blessing

Please remember in your prayers this week:

The Anglican Church of Canada: Fred our Primate; Colin our Metropolitan and Diocesan Bishop; Patrick our Area Bishop; Greg our Rector, Maggie our Assistant Curate, The Right Reverend Philip Poole, Area Bishop of York-Credit Valley

Outreach Cycle of Prayer: Christ Church, Stouffville, its young mothers' program, and its support of the Mully Children's Family Home in Kenya. College View Supportive housing Services, a LOFT ministry for vulnerable and at-risk seniors that provides support with daily living activities, helping seniors connect with community resources and one another, and enabling them to maintain their independence and dignity.

Our Community: Armour Heights Presbyterian Church

Our Parish: Cathy Eckel-Asher; Corbet & Kelly Elder (Kristin, Meaghan, Andrew); Ken Ellis & Heather Tulk; Anne & Kevin Fair (James); David & Marian Fielding

Those celebrating their birthday this week: Sarah Newman; Adam Papoushek; Candace Forsyth; David DeGrasse; Lucy Gall; Carolyn Johnson

Those in need: Adrian; Paul & Ellen; Bruce Williams; Robin Crocker; Ian; Cathie Jean; Ken; Matthew Thorpe; Ted Sawchuk; Sharon; Doris Moffatt; Monty Stapleton; Maria; Landon; George; Dave; Cherie; Judith; Margaret Hall; Pat Irons; Joan Devlin; Joan Hopkins; Helen Minshull; Michael; June Jefford and family

Those who died: William Kisel (father of June Jefford)

