

## CHRISTMAS EVE — CHILDREN'S SERVICE

December 24, 2011 — 4:00 PM

Officiant: Father Andrew Nussey

1. Carol: "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

2. Prayer for Christmas: O God our Father, whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem, may the light of faith illumine our hearts and shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

3. Lighting of the Christmas Candle

*Priest*: The light shines in the darkness,

*People*: **And the darkness has not overcome it.**

4. Story time with the children: "The Story of Christmas"

5. Carols: "Away in a Manger" & "Once in Royal David's City"

6. Prayers

By the good news of our salvation brought to Mary by the angel,  
hear us, O Lord. **Lord, grant us peace.**

By the mystery of the Word made flesh, hear us, O Lord. **Lord, grant us peace.**

By the birth in time of the timeless Son of God, hear us, O Lord.

**Lord, grant us peace.**

Grant that the kingdoms of this world may become the kingdom of our Lord  
and Saviour Jesus Christ; hear us, O Lord. **Lord, grant us peace.**

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 them that 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.**

7. Carol: "Silent Night"

8. Christmas Blessing: Let us go now to Bethlehem in heart, mind, and soul  
to greet the Christ Child, and let us join with the heavenly chorus above in  
praise and adoration. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son,  
and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

9. Carol: "The First Noel"

## O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels;

*O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.*

Child, for us sinners poor and in the manger,  
We would embrace Thee, with love and awe;  
Who would not love Thee, loving us so dearly?

*O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.*

## AWAY IN A MANGER

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,  
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.  
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,  
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.  
I love Thee, Lord Jesus; look down from the sky  
And stay by my bedside till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray;  
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,  
And fit us for Heaven, to live with Thee there.

### ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY

Once in royal David's city  
Stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her Baby  
In a manger for His bed:  
Mary was that mother mild,  
Jesus Christ her little Child.

Not in that poor lowly stable,  
With the oxen standing by,  
We shall see Him; but in Heaven,  
Set at God's right hand on high;  
Where like stars His children crowned  
All in white shall wait around.

### SILENT NIGHT

Silent night, holy night,  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon virgin mother and Child.  
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.

### THE FIRST NOEL

The first Noel the angel did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay tending their sheep,  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

*Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,  
Born is the King of Israel.*

Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;  
That hath made Heaven and earth of nought,  
And with His blood mankind hath bought.

*Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,  
Born is the King of Israel.*

## ***Our Christmas flowers and plants give glory to Christ, born to be our Saviour and King***

### ***In loving memory of...***

Enid and Ted Tayler

Frank Boland

Win and Lorne Moore

Hilda Williams Murray

Gerald Paterson

Lisa and Loved Ones

Robert Horne

My husband Alton, parents Jim  
& Jean and brother Bob Sim

My Family and Friends

My sister Elsie Mullin

My husband Arthur

Nephew & Godson Derek  
Linaker

Parents Owen and Elaine  
Staples and Husband Ken

Victor Morgan, Agnes Morgan,  
Ruth Gould, Betty Smith, Cecil  
Smith, Diane Tremblay

### ***Given by...***

Marilyn Venner

Wife Winnifred, George and  
Margaret, Elizabeth and James

Beth and Glen Sagle

Daughter Heather Murray

Wife Edna and Roz

Doris and Gord Dillworth

Joan Horne

Marie Lecappelain

Joan Gravelle

Linda Turner and Family

Rita Patry

Joan and Dennis Linaker

Laraine Johnson

Vicky, Philip, Eric, Raya,  
Kristine, Logan & Liam Smith,  
Natasha, Barry & Sadie  
Tremblay

***In Memory of Loved Ones, given by...*** Lois Douglas; Lillian Fairgrieve

***In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received...*** Marion Campbell

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