



ST. JOHN'S NORWAY

ANGELICAN CHURCH IN THE BEACHES



WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S NORWAY

We are so glad to have you worship with us!

*We are a growing, diverse, and energetic faith community learning to follow Jesus together.
Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are invited to join us.*



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Last Sunday after Pentecost: The Reign of Christ

Morning Prayer Service

10:30 AM – Sunday, November 23, 2025

Officiant: The Rev. John Quaggin

Preacher: Christine Lambert

Reader: Christopher Ryan, Maureen Louth

Intercessor: Michael Charles

Lay Anointers: Jeffrey Kentner, Mary Miller

Music Director: Declan Tse

Soloists: Zyion Stephens, Tarquin Wongkee, Daniel Rojas, Hassan Khan

Prelude Music

Welcome & Gathering of the Community

(Please stand)

Opening Hymn

CP 354 – *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Come, thou Fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious measure,
sung by flaming tongues above;
O the vast, the boundless treasure
of my God's unchanging love.

Here I make faith's affirmation:
thus far by thy help I've come,
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
take my heart, O take and seal it,
seal it for thy courts above.

Officiant Lord, open our lips,
All And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.
All O Lord, make haste to help us.

**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.**

The Invitatory

Officiant The Lord is our refuge and strength:
O come, let us worship.

Venite (Psalm 95:1–7)

Choir

O come let us sing unto the Lord:
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

All

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving,
and show ourselves glad in Him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God
and a great King above all gods.

In His hand are all the corners of the earth
and the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His and He made it:
and His hands prepared the dry land.

O come let us worship and fall down
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For He is the Lord our God
and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

(Please be seated)

The Proclamation of the Word

The Reading

Reader A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

On that day there will be an altar to the Lord in the centre of the land of Egypt, and a pillar to the Lord at its border. It will be a sign and a witness to the Lord of hosts in the land of Egypt; when they cry to the Lord because of oppressors, he will send them a saviour, and will defend and deliver them. The Lord will make himself known to the Egyptians; and the Egyptians will know the Lord on that day, and will worship with sacrifice and burnt-offering, and they will make vows to the Lord and perform them. The Lord will strike Egypt, striking and healing; they will return to the Lord, and he will listen to their supplications and heal them. On that day there will be a highway from Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian will come into Egypt, and the Egyptian into Assyria, and the Egyptians will worship with the Assyrians. On that day Israel will be the third with Egypt and Assyria, a blessing in the midst of the earth, whom the Lord of hosts has blessed, saying, 'Blessed be Egypt my people, and Assyria the work of my hands, and Israel my heritage.' *(Isaiah 19:19-25)*

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118

Choir This is the day,
All **this is the day**
Choir that the Lord has made,
All **that the Lord has made.**
Choir We will rejoice,
All **we will rejoice**
Choir and be glad in it,
All **and be glad in it.**
This is the day that the Lord has made.
We will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day
That the Lord has made.

Choir
All
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Open to us,
open to us
the gates of God,
the gates of God;
we will go in,
we will go in
and praise the Lord,
and praise the Lord.
Open to us the gates of God;
we will go in and praise the Lord.
Open to us, open to us
the gates of God.

Choir
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You are our God,
You are our God,
we will praise your name,
we will praise your name;
we will give thanks,
we will give thanks
for your faithfulness,
for your faithfulness.
You are our God; we will praise your name;
we will give thanks for your faithfulness.
You are our God, you are our God,
we will praise your name.

Reader

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.

May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, 'Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name'; and again he says, 'Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people'; and again, 'Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him'; and again Isaiah says, 'The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.' May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

(Romans 15:5-13)

Reader
People

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

The Gospel is carried down the centre aisle into the midst of the people gathered, as a symbol of God's sending out of Jesus—who is the “Word made flesh” into the world.

All **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

‘Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favourably on his people and redeemed them. He has raised up a mighty saviour for us in the house of his servant David, as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us. Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered his holy covenant, the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins. By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.’
(Luke 1:68-79)

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

All **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Sermon

Christine Lambert

Our parish lay anointers are available for prayer and anointing in the Chapel. Please move directly to the chapel for this ministry of healing. The Church's ministry to the sick and those in distress is based on Jesus' constant concern and care for those in need. Our Lay Anointers have been trained and appointed by the Diocese in this life-giving healing ministry. If you require more in depth pastoral care, please speak to a member of the Ministry Team following the service.

Music During Healing & Anointing

**Well Done (The Afters)
On Christ I Stand (Harlan)
The Kingdom of God (Taizé)**

The kingdom of God is justice and peace
and joy in the Holy Spirit.
Come, Lord, and open in us
the gates of your kingdom.

(Please stand)

The Apostles' Creed

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

(Please sit or kneel for prayer)

The Prayers of the People

Collect of the Day

Officiant Almighty and everlasting God,
whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King,
grant that the peoples of the earth,
now divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together
under his gentle and loving rule;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

People **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.**

Announcements

(Please stand)

Closing Hymn

CP 378 - *Crown Him with Many Crowns* (verses 1, 2, 4)

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne:
hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of him
who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing
who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds yet visible above
in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

Dismissal

Leader Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant 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.**

Postlude Music

St. John's This Week

Today	Evening Prayer Table Service in the Sanctuary 5pm
Tuesday	Discipleship Tuesdays in the Sanctuary and Lower Hall 7pm
Wednesday	Mid-Week Eucharist in the Chapel 12noon
Thursday	Hand Chime Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary 5:45pm Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary 7pm
Saturday	Have a Nog, Make a Wreath in the Lower Hall 3 – 5pm
Sunday	In-Person & Livestream Holy Eucharist Service in the Sanctuary 10:30am Table Service in the Sanctuary 5pm

Welcome to St. John's Norway

No matter where you find yourself on your journey of faith, **you are so welcome to be here with us!** We are a community of people—young and old, from all backgrounds and walks of life, who are learning to follow Jesus. We ask questions, don't avoid the tough issues that life presents, and we want to love our neighbours. Please [fill out a Welcome Card online](#). We would love to hear from you!

Choir

The choir rehearses on Thursdays at 7pm in the Sanctuary.

We are always looking for new members! If you're interested, please contact Declan at music@stjohnsnorway.com for more details.

Norway Needlework Group

The Norway Needlework Group meets on Wednesdays from 1:00 – 2:30PM in the Prideaux Room. Anyone can join and there will be free knitting and crochet lessons as well. Come and see!

St. John's Food Pantry

Thanks to all of you who generously contribute to our weekly food pantry. Our ministry is very much appreciated by those in our neighbourhood with limited income. The pantry is fairly bare this week. All non-perishable food items are welcome, and right now, the following items, in particular: sardines, peanut butter, pasta, tinned stews and hearty soups, cookies, crackers, juice, tinned fruit and fruit cups.

Joyful Giving

Our deadline for completing intention forms is next Sunday. Come by to the office to drop off your forms, or bring it next Sunday at 10:30AM or 5PM. We urge everyone to consider the Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) option. If you have any questions please speak to a member of the Stewardship Ministry or Wardens' Teams. Thank you!

Waiting for the Light – Children's Advent Day Saturday December 13

Kids are invited to a free day of stories, games, crafts, and friendship as we prepare our hearts for Christmas and discover how God's love shines in this season of hope. Lunch and snacks provided! Whether you're attending the parish retreat or just need a little space in the busy season, kids can join us for a joyful mix of faith, fun, and creativity-- for part or all of the day! Come and see!

Youth Group Rock Climbing Night – Friday November 28

Calling all Youths! Join us on Friday 28th November for a youth group climbing night, from 7pm to 9pm. Please reply to Maureen by Tuesday November 25th to let her know that you (and bring a friend) are interested and to get more information. Come and see!



HAVE A NOG
MAKE A WREATH

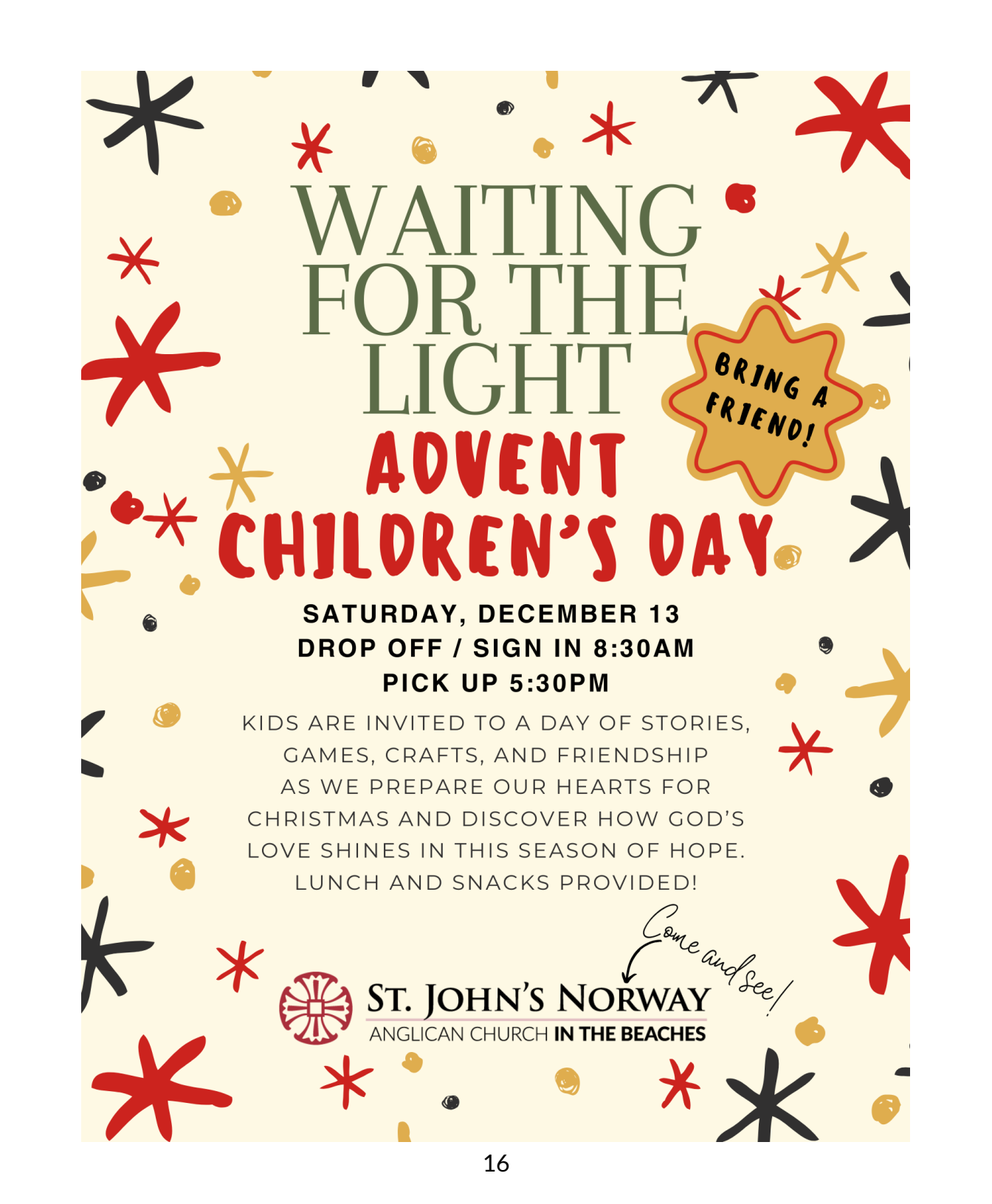
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3 to 5 PM

**Join us for family friendly
Advent wreath making,
cookie decorating & egg nog!**

Come and see!



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WAITING FOR THE LIGHT ADVENT CHILDREN'S DAY.

BRING A
FRIEND!

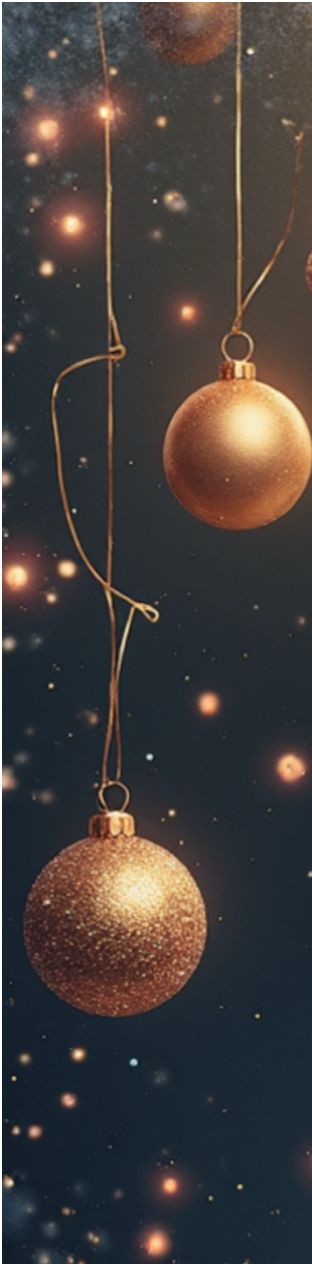
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13
DROP OFF / SIGN IN 8:30AM
PICK UP 5:30PM

KIDS ARE INVITED TO A DAY OF STORIES,
GAMES, CRAFTS, AND FRIENDSHIP
AS WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR
CHRISTMAS AND DISCOVER HOW GOD'S
LOVE SHINES IN THIS SEASON OF HOPE.
LUNCH AND SNACKS PROVIDED!



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Advent Parish Retreat

AT THE SISTERHOOD OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

DECEMBER 13

9:30AM - 4:30PM

INCLUDES:

A TIME OF LEARNING/REFLECTION
WITH SR. CONNIE & LUNCH

\$65 PER PERSON

Come and see!



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IF THE COST IS AN OBSTACLE TO YOU, WE CAN HELP!

The background is a light blue gradient. Scattered around the central text are several stylized gift cards. Some are blue with white dollar signs and bows, while others are pink with white dollar signs and bows. They are tilted at various angles.

ADVENT GIFT CARD DRIVE

**UNTIL DEC. 14,
HELP US COLLECT
\$25 VALUE
GIFT CARDS
FROM LOBLAWS
GROCERY STORES
FOR OUR
FOOD PANTRY.**



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THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS

John 1:5

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT ST. JOHN'S NORWAY

SUNDAY DECEMBER 14

5PM BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE CONTEMPLATIVE & COMFORTING

SUNDAY DECEMBER 21

10:30AM LESSONS & CAROLS SERVICE WITH HAND CHIME CHOIR

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 24

2 - 4PM NATIVITY ANIMALS VISIT IN OUR PARKING LOT

4PM CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE FOR FAMILIES WITH POP-UP
PAGEANT

7PM CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE CLASSIC WITH CAROLS

10PM CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE CANDLELIT & CHORAL

THURSDAY DECEMBER 25

9AM CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

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Come and see!



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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The land we are standing on today is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many distinct First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 signed with the Mississaugas of the Credit, and the Williams Treaties signed with multiple Mississaugas and Chippewa bands.

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