

CHRISTMAS EVE

7:00 P.M.



Emmanuel Anglican Church
287 Harrington Street
Arnprior, Ontario
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Collect: Eternal God, this holy night is radiant with the brilliance of your one true light. As we have known the revelation of that light on earth, bring us to see the splendour of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Christmas Eve, 7 p.m. - The Holy Eucharist

Gathering of the Community

The Service is found in the green Book of Alternative Services

Opening Hymn 123 “Once in Royal David’s City”	
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Gloria in Excelsis	Page 186
Collect of the Day	(printed)

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: <i>Isaiah 9:2-7 Brian Gilhuly</i>	(printed)
Hymn 126 “Away In A Manger”	
Second Reading: <i>Titus 2:11-14 Jim Hall</i>	(printed)
Gradual Hymn: 137 “What Child Is This”	
The Holy Gospel: <i>Luke 2:1-20</i>	(printed)
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Prayers of the People (<i>remain standing</i>) <i>Helen Hall</i>	Page 120
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The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: 118 “O Come, All Ye Faithful” (<i>omit v. 5a</i>)	
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Administration of Holy Communion	

During Communion please join in singing

Hymn 146 “’Twas in the Moon of Wintertime”	
Hymn 120 “O Little Town of Bethlehem”	
Hymn 136 “While Shepherds Watched”	
Hymn 119 “Silent Night” (<i>kneeling</i>)	

“The Church Goes Into the World

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Closing Hymn: 138 “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”	

Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion

Background to this Evening's Readings: *(for preparation before the service or study at home)*

Isaiah 9:2-7 In the preceding verse, Isaiah has recalled “the former time” when the northern territories, Zebulun and Naphtali, were conquered by the Assyrians. But, he writes, “in the latter time” God will return these lands to Israel: he will honour Galilee.

Titus 2:11-14 The author has just admonished his readers to “teach what is consistent with sound doctrine.” They are to teach and practice good ethical behaviour “so that the word of God may not be discredited”. It is the grace of God, personified in Christ, that will enable them to do this.

Luke 2:1-20 The prophet Micah prophesied that from Bethlehem would “come forth” for God “one who is to rule Israel”, either descended from David or from God. He will be like a shepherd, feeding his flock with God’s help and in his majesty. He will protect the people and bring them peace.

Welcome to those who are visiting Emmanuel Church this evening. We are delighted to have you with us. If you are looking for a spiritual home please fill out the blue card found at the end of each pew and place on the offering plate.

A Supervised Nursery is available for babies and children under the age of four. Go out the left hand door, through the office and turn right. It is at the end of the hallway.

Communion Guidelines Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at the service. Feel free to stand or kneel. Please refrain from dipping the bread into the wine (Intinction). If you prefer to receive the bread only, please indicate so by crossing your arms over your chest when the chalice is brought to you. You are also invited to come to the Communion rail for a Blessing if you do not wish to receive the Sacrament.

Our Sincere Appreciation to everyone who decorated and prepared the church for our Christmas celebration and to all who have participated in the services, donated flowers, or helped in any way. You have added so much to our joy and worship.

Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year from myself and my family. May God fill you with His love this Christmas Season and may Christ be in the midst of your celebrations. May His joy and peace fill your hearts and homes. Thanks to all who remembered me in any way and for your good wishes. God bless you all this Christmas and in the coming New Year.

Thank You from The Pastoral Care Team to everyone who donated food and assisted in assembling and delivering the Christmas Plates to Homebound Seniors.

The Thursday Morning Eucharist will not be held this coming week.

Sunday, January 1st, New Years Day There will be one service only at 10 a.m.

Eucharist for Shut-Ins will be held Thursday, January 12th at 2 p.m.in the church. It will be followed by refreshments. Transportation is available. Please call the Parish Office 613-623-2554 to make arrangements.

Offering Envelopes for 2012 are available. Be sure to pick yours up. If you would like to receive offering envelopes or begin using Pre-authorized Remittance (PAR), please call Envelope Secretary Mary Coreau at 613-623-6692.

Please Note Deadline for 2011 Contributions We are legally obligated to credit 2011 donations only for givings received by December 31st. Donations received after that date will be credited in 2012.

Church Office Holiday Hours The office will be closed until Tuesday, January 3rd.

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LIGHTING THE CHRISTMAS CANDLE

**God our Father,
today the Saviour is born
and those who live in darkness are seeing a great light.
Help us, who greet the birth of Christ with joy,
to live in the light of your Son,
and to share the good news of your love.
We ask this through Jesus Christ,
the light who has come into the world. Amen.**

The Candles are lit

**Lord Jesus, Light of Light,
you have come among us.
Help us who live by your light
to shine as lights in your world.
Glory to God in the highest. Amen.**

BLESSING OF THE CRECHE

O God of every nation and people, from the very beginning of creation You have made manifest Your love. When our need for a Saviour was great You sent Your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary. To our lives He brings joy and peace, justice, mercy, and love. Lord, bless + this manger and all who look upon it devoutly, may it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus, and raise up our thoughts to Him, Who is Emmanuel, God-with-us, and Saviour of all, and Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen

THE FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS ARE GIVEN

IN MEMORY OF

In Thanksgiving
Joan Booth
Larry Burton
Doug Carey
Grant Carr
Jeffrey Draper
Family and Friends
Ben Greenhous
Ted Hall
Alex and Sarah Irwin
Sheila Arkwright; Andrew
and Amelia Coulton; Jeremy Brydges,
Emily Jump
Fred and Hetty Mercer; Tom Dawson
Shaw and McCuaig Families; Mildred Reid
Danny Franklin; Audrey Mossman
Ellen and Sid Perfitt; Ruth and Ed Malloch
Mom and Dad Vance; Mom and Dad Neeley
In Thanksgiving and Memory of Loved Ones
Walter Reed
Gordon and Peg Whyte, Parents;
Grandmother Etta Whyte
Julius and Brent Yach

GIVEN BY

Liz and Geoff Barnes
Husband Geoff
Wife Betty and Family
Wife Edna
Yvette Carr and Family
Parents Marion and Eric
George and Edna Fournier
Wife Pearl
Wife Dorothy and Family
Don and Helen Hall
Dennis and Rita Jump

Jump Family
Lindon and Freda Jump
Jack and Joyce McCuaig
Wayne and Debby Mossman
Harriet Perfitt
Daykin and Melissa Neeley
Mary Turpin
Wife Winnie & Family
Ron and Elsie Whyte

Leona Yach

READINGS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness — on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy: they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this. *Isaiah 9:2–7*

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to Titus

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

Titus 2:11–14

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!” When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Luke 2:1–20