

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

January 1, 2012



Emmanuel Anglican Church
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Collect 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.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Gathering of the Community

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The Proclamation of the Word

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During Communion please join in singing

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The Church Goes Into the World

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Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion

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

Isaiah 60:1-6 Darius, King of Persia, has permitted the people of Israel to return to Jerusalem. The prophet tells the people to arise, for joy, prosperity and salvation are now in the city; God is with them; they will reflect the presence and power of God.

Ephesians 3:1-12 It is part of God's plan that both Jews and Gentiles are called to share in Christ's saving activity. This is the "mystery of Christ". Paul's insistence on Gentiles being full and equal members of the church has led to his imprisonment.

Matthew 2:1-12 "Wise men" (in Latin: magi) were members of a Persian caste of astrologers and interpreters of dreams. Astrology was widely accepted then. A star was associated with each person; the way the star rose told the wise men that a king had been born. A later church tradition called the wise men kings.

Welcome! We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning. If you are looking for a spiritual home and wish to be added to our mailing list please fill out the blue card found in front of each pew and place on the offering plate.

Please Join Us for the Coffee Hour in the church hall for food and fellowship following the 10 a.m. service. You may enter the hall through the doors at the front left hand side of the church. Wheelchair accessible restrooms can be found in the foyer.

The Nursery Room is available for parents to use if they wish. Go out the left hand door, through the office and turn right. It is at the end of the hallway.

First Response will assist in case of an emergency during the liturgies this morning. The person available today is Donna Toole. (This is the person responsible for assisting anyone in difficulty).

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 at 613-623-2554 to make arrangements.

"Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church." At present we say "The Word of the Lord" after the Old Testament and Epistle readings which can sometimes seem to imply that the scriptures belong to the past and are not living and active in the world and in our lives today. The phrase "Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church" is used in the New Testament, describing the words to the seven churches in the Book of Revelation. This response is used many places in the Anglican Communion and it is suggested that we begin using this response at Emmanuel. It speaks of a more dynamic and active way of applying the scriptures to the way we live and work as a Christian Community now. Please let the Rector know if you have any thoughts about this.

Offering Envelopes for 2012 Please pick up your box of offering envelopes from the church porch today. If you are able to deliver any to fellow parishioners that would be appreciated. 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.

Choir Cushion Covers Upholstery fabric has been donated to cover the choir seat cushions. We are looking for someone in the congregation to sew the covers. If you are interested in helping, please call Joan Wahay at 613-622-0018 for more information

Chicken BBQ Joan Wahay will not be co-ordinating the chicken BBQ in the spring and we are looking for someone to take on this fundraiser. Joan will be available to help. Jim Hall has agreed to take on the cooking of the chicken with John's help. If you are interested in taking on this fundraiser, please speak to one of the wardens or call Joan at 613-622-0018.

The Annual Spaghetti Dinner hosted by The Emmanuel Church Men will be held on Friday, January 27th at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10 each. Please contact Cec Goold at 613-623-8684.

The 2012 budget is currently being developed, and any groups wishing to submit a request should do so to the church office.

Our Annual Vestry Meeting will be held Sunday, February 26, 2012. All reports should be received in the Parish Office by Sunday, January 22nd. Written reports should be in a format that can be reproduced in the reports without retyping.

Food for the "Food Bank" Please bring your items for the Food Bank any Sunday you are in church and as often as you wish. Parish Council has asked to make every Sunday "Food Bank Sunday". Non-perishable items such as dry pasta, canned goods, dried and packaged foods or mixes, etc., are suitable.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE (see details in leaflet)

Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Monday 10:30 a.m. Prayer Group

Tuesday 7 p.m. Corporation Meeting

Wednesday 7 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:45 Study/Discussion Group

Sunday 8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Readings: Genesis 1:1-5; Psalm 29; Acts 19:1-7; Mark 1:4-11

Please Remember in Prayer

THE CHURCH John our Bishop, Colin our Metropolitan, Fred our Primate, Roger our Priest; St Paul's Kashechewan; for vocations to ordained ministry; Dick Hunter, Organist, and members of Emmanuel's choir.

Anglican Communion In our companion Diocese of Jerusalem The Rt Revd Bishop Suheil Dawani, St George's Cathedral, Jerusalem.

Diocese of Ottawa Christ Church Cathedral, The Very Revd Shane Parker, The Revd Canon Catherine Aschah; The Revd Dawna Wall; the participants and staff in the Marriage Preparation Courses throughout the Diocese this year; the New Year's Levee.

Local Churches Calvary Baptist Church.

Our Parish Family Francis Gardiner; Marion Draper; Dave & Carolyn Kingston; Eleanor Buck.

THE WORLD Peace & justice in Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, the Sudan, The Middle East, Egypt, Libya, North Korea, Syria. For those suffering in The Philippines and for those engaged in rescue and relief work.

CANADA For our Prime Minister and Parliament; Canadian Forces and their families; our Province, its Premier and Legislature.

ARNPRIOR AND AREA For our local leaders and communities.

THOSE IN NEED The sick: Ruth, Dorothy, Eric, Connie, Don, Barb, Rita, Buff, Russ, Bill, Dianne, Steven, Joan, Ann, Gordon, Robert, Gail, Mona, George, Mary, Betty, Shawn, David, Ray, Henrietta, Royce, Katherine, Dennis, Dave, Frank, Glen, Fern, Randy, Allyson, Gord, Reg. **If there are any names to be added to or removed from this list, please contact the Church Office or use the form provided.** *Note: In order to respect privacy, please ensure that you have received permission from the person(s) named.*

THE DEPARTED that they may dwell in the light and peace of our Risen Lord. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** *Please remember them in silence. If you wish to add a name for the leaflet, contact the Parish Office beforehand.*

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READINGS FOR THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

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A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. 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. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. 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. 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. 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*

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles — for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In 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: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although 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, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so 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. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him. *Ephesians 3:1–12*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, “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.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: “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.” Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then 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.” When 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. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On 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. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road. *Matthew 2:1–12*

THE MARKS OF MISSION OF THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ

To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom

To teach, baptise and nurture new believers

To respond to human need by loving service

To seek to transform unjust structures of society

To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth