



ST MARK'S

ANGLICAN CHURCH DARLING POINT

Light
of the world

13 December 2020
10am Congregation

You can watch the whole service [here](#)

We would love to hear from you, so please [fill in a connect card](#).
You can leave us a prayer or aid request, a comment, feedback, or
we can organise for someone to give you a call this week.

PRAISING GOD

COME, THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS

1. Come, thou long expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.

2. Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

3. Born thy people to deliver,
born a child and yet a King,
born to reign in us forever,
now thy gracious kingdom bring.

4. By thine own eternal spirit
rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all sufficient merit,
raise us to thy glorious throne

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

THANKSGIVING

Gracious God, we humbly thank you for all your gifts so freely given to us, for life and health and safety, for power to work, leisure to rest, and for all that is beautiful in creation and human life. But, above all, we praise you for our Saviour, Jesus Christ, for his death and resurrection, for the gift of your Spirit, and for the hope of sharing in your glory.

Fill our hearts with all joy and peace in believing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Bible Reading - Isaiah 9:2-7

Renae Leith-Manos

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.

³ 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.

⁴ 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.

⁵ For all the boots of the tramping warriors
and all the garments rolled in blood
shall be burned as fuel for the fire.

⁶ For a child has been born for us,
a son given to us;
authority rests upon his shoulders;
and he is named
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

⁷ 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.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

¹² Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." ¹³ Then the Pharisees said to him, "You are testifying on your own behalf; your testimony is not valid." ¹⁴ Jesus answered, "Even if I testify on my own behalf, my testimony is valid because I know where I have come from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. ¹⁵ You judge by human standards; I judge no one. ¹⁶ Yet even if I do judge, my judgment is valid; for it is not I alone who judge, but I and the Father who sent me. ¹⁷ In your law it is written that the testimony of two witnesses is valid. ¹⁸ I testify on my own behalf, and the Father who sent me testifies on my behalf." ¹⁹ Then they said to him, "Where is your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also." ²⁰ He spoke these words while he was teaching in the treasury of the temple, but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come.

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CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; from there he will come 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.

JESUS STRONG AND KIND

1. Jesus said that if I thirst
I should come to Him
No one else can satisfy
I should come to Him.

2. Jesus said, if I am weak
I should come to Him
No one else can be my strength
I should come to Him.

For the Lord is good and faithful
He will keep us day and night
We can always run to Jesus
Jesus strong and kind.

3. Jesus said, if I am lost
He will come to me
And He showed me on that cross
He will come to me. Chorus

City Alight

PRAYING TO GOD

CONFESSION

Heavenly Father, we praise you for adopting us as your children and making us heirs of eternal life.

In your mercy you have washed us from our sins and made us clean in your sight.

Yet we still fail to love you and serve you as we should.

Forgive us our sins and renew us by your grace, that we may continue to grow as members of Christ, in whom alone is our salvation. Amen

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PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH, OUR CITY AND THE WORLD

Alicia Watson

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily
bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us
not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and
forever. Amen.

NOTICES

Giving

If you do not do so already, please consider giving electronically to
the work of the gospel in our parish and beyond.

GIVE

HAIL TO THE LORD'S ANOINTED

1. Hail to the Lord's Anointed,
great David's greater Son!
Hail in the time appointed,
his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
to set the captive free;
to take away transgression,
and rule in equity.

2. Kings shall fall down before him,
and gold and incense bring;
all nations shall adore him,
his praise all people sing;
to him shall prayer unceasing,
and daily vows ascend;
his kingdom still increasing,
a kingdom without end.

3. O'er every foe victorious,
he on his throne shall rest,
from age to age more glorious,
all blessing and all-blest.
The tide of time shall never
his covenant remove;
his name shall stand for ever,
that name to us is love.

James Montgomery (1771-1854)

Going Out to Serve

Closing Prayer

Father, take us and use us to love and serve you and all people, in the power of your Spirit and in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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JOIN US FOR CHRISTMAS AT ST MARK'S

Friday 18 December

7pm - Festival of Lessons and Carols

Christmas Eve

5pm - Family Christmas

9pm - Jazz Christmas

11pm - Choral Communion

Christmas Day

7am - Holy Communion (no music)

8am - Choral Communion

9.45am - Family Christmas

11am - Family Christmas with Communion

Register at:

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All services will also be live-streamed.



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IN CASE WE NEED TO EVACUATE As you take your place in the pew, please take note of the route to the nearest door: Remember that there is a small step from the pew to the floor. The Emergency Assembly Area is the Memorial Garden.



BABY FACILITIES are in the Parenting Room at the rear of the church and in the accessible toilet beside the Howard Lea Hall. The service is broadcast to the Parenting Room.



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