



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Christmas 2, Sunday, January 5, 2020

Service Colour: White

Epiphany Sunday

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible by the Beadle (All who are able are invited to stand)

The Greeting:

M: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

Hymn: 136 (omit vs. 4)

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

As the wise men followed the light of the star that led them to the Light of the world in a cow's stall in Bethlehem, we come in joy as followers of that same Light! Thanks be to you, O God, for the joy that you give us and for the grace that you shower upon us!

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires are known, and from you nothing is hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may fully love you and worthily honour you in our attitudes, speech, and actions; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

All: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

M. The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

C. And also with you. Hallelujah (Hymn 294) will be sung.

The Passing of the Peace – offer the words "Peace" or "The Peace of Christ".

Prayer for Understanding

Hymn: 173, 811 (**all seated**) Children's Time and Prayer

Lessons: Isaiah 60: 1-6 (p.649); Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14 (maroon book);

Ephesians 3: 1-12 (p.170); Matthew 2: 1-12 (p.2)

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

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Hymn: 161

Sermon – The Ascription of Glory

Prayer

The Offertory Carol: 162; **The Creed** (hymn book – inside front cover) & Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving (beginning with)

M. Lift up your hearts.

C. We lift them to the Lord.

M. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer...saying in unison:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer...and the Lord's Prayer (831) (debts, debtors)

All (sung): Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world (2)

The Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving for the feast and for the faithful in the past

Hymn: 172 (vs. 1-3)

The Commissioning, Benediction, Choral Amen & Silent Prayer

Song: *Go Now In Peace* (all seated) (hymn book – inside back cover)

Postlude; The Greeting of those nearby in the pews/aisles

Greeting Elder: Marg Bingley

Usher: Bob Armstrong

Carrying the Bible: Isabelle Young **Elevator Guide:** Chris McDonald

Organist: Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Pianist: Cheryl Weeks

Reader: Janet Holden

Audio: Wade MacDonald

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Today: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 2:00 p.m. Ocean View Service

Tues: 7:00 p.m. Worship, Fellowship, Pastoral Care Committee

Wed: 3:15 p.m. Hope Cottage Ministry

Thurs: 1:00 p.m. AMS Roll Call Word: Change; 7:00 p.m. Personnel & Planning Committee

Sun: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. – Worship, Church School & Nursery

Communion: Glass chalices contain grape juice; metal chalices contain wine. Servers will come to the pew where folk who cannot come forward are sitting.

Jan. 16 1:00 p.m. Church Hall The Ladies' Guild invites those interested to hear a presentation on the Hospice in Halifax.