

BCP Eucharist

The Third Sunday in Advent – Gaudete Sunday

8:00am 12 December 2021

Welcome to St Peter's Cathedral on this Third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday. The word gaudete means "rejoice". As we wait for the coming of the Christ Child at Christmas, this morning we hear the prophet Zephaniah exhorting us to "Rejoice and exult with all your heart...for the Lord is in your midst". The message of the Apostle Paul in his Letter to the Philippians is the same. "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ... The Lord is near" he writes.

As we ponder our scripture readings this morning, in the light of the blessings and struggles we face in our world, we might find that we are being invited to experience profound joy in knowing that we are not alone, that the creating, loving, forgiving God is in the midst of it with us.

Jenny Wilson, Canon Precentor

Celebrant

The Rev'd Peter Jin

Preacher

The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

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Please kneel/sit

Let us pray.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength.

This is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

There is none other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**

Lighting of the third Advent Candle – The Candle of Joy

Celebrant

Today is the third Sunday in Advent.

We light a candle each week to remind us that Jesus brings light into the dark places of the world.

Reader

We light the candle of hope to proclaim that God’s light is coming into the world.

The first candle (purple) is lit

Reader

We light the candle of peace to proclaim that God’s promises will be fulfilled in the birth of Jesus – Prince of Peace.

The second candle (purple) is lit

Celebrant We rejoice and sing out with gladness at the message of God's salvation.

Reader We light the candle of joy to celebrate that God's saving power is coming into the world.

The third candle (pink) is lit

All God of joy, we rejoice as we look forward to your breaking into human history, revealing in person your justice and your love.
Amen.

The Collect

Almighty God, you sent your Son into a world where the wheat must be winnowed from the chaff and evil clings even to what is good: let the fire of your Spirit purge us of all corruption, so that, purified, we may wait eagerly for him whose coming is certain, whose Day draws near, your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please sit for the first reading: Zephaniah 3:14-20 (read by Alyson Morrison)

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem!

The Lord has taken away the judgements against you,
he has turned away your enemies.

The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more.

On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak.

The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory;
he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival.

I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it.

I will deal with all your oppressors at that time.

And I will save the lame and gather the outcast,
and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you;
for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth,
when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord .

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

A Song of Isaiah

'Behold, God is my salvation: I will trust and will not be afraid;

'For the Lord God is my strength and my song: and has become my salvation.'

With joy you will draw water: from the wells of salvation.

On that day you will say: 'Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name;

'Make known his deeds among the nations: proclaim that his name is exalted.

'Sing God's praises, who has triumphed gloriously:

let this be known in all the world.

'Shout and sing for joy, you that dwell in Zion:

for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.'

Second reading: Philippians 4:4-7 (read by Janine Phillips)

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Please stand for the Gospel

The Holy Gospel is written in the third Chapter of the Gospel according to Luke, beginning at the seventh verse

Glory be to thee, O Lord

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.' And the crowds asked him, 'What then should we do?' In reply he said to them, 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.' Even tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, 'Teacher, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.' Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.' As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

This is the Gospel of the Lord, **Praise be to thee, O Christ**

Please remain standing for the Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us, and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried,

And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe One Holy Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Please sit for the Sermon: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

Silence may follow, during which final preparations are done on the altar.

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Please kneel/sit for the Intercessions

Almighty and everliving God, we are taught by your holy apostle to make prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all people: we ask you in your mercy to accept our alms and oblations and to receive our prayers which we offer to your divine majesty.

We pray that you will lead the nations of the world in the ways of righteousness and peace, and guide their rulers in wisdom and justice for the tranquility and good of all. Bless especially your servant Elizabeth our Queen, her representatives and ministers, her parliaments, and all who exercise authority in this land.

Grant that they may impartially administer justice, restrain wickedness and vice, and uphold integrity and truth.

We beseech you to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy name may agree in the truth of your holy word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Geoff our Archbishop, Denise, Tim and Chris our bishops, that, by their life and doctrine, they may set forth your true, life-giving word, and rightly and duly administer your holy sacraments. And to all your people give your heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present, that they may receive your word with meek hearts and due reverence and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We ask you of your goodness, Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

We also bless your holy name for all your servants who have died in the faith of Christ. Give us grace to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of your heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only mediator and advocate. Amen.

The Priest then turns to the people and says:

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this Holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

The General Confession

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Comfortable words

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him. Come unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

St Matthew 11:28

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

St John 3:16

Hear also what Saint Paul saith:

This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Timothy 1:15

Hear also what Saint John saith:

If anyone sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

1 St John 2:1

Let us pray: *The Prayer of Humble Access*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Preface and Sanctus

The Lord be with you; **And with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts; **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God; **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory:

Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Prayer of Consecration

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his Holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again:

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee, and with thy Holy and Life-giving Spirit vouchsafe to bless and sanctify both us and these thy gifts of Bread and Wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, to the end that we, receiving the same, may be strengthened both in body and soul.

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,

Drink ye all of this, for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

The Prayer of Oblation

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants, having in remembrance the precious death and passion of thy dear Son, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, according to his holy institution, entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this Holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us we are bold to say:

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that 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.

The peace of the Lord be always with you;

And with thy spirit.

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world; have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world; have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world; grant us thy peace.

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sin of the world.

Baptised and communicant Christians of all denominations are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Communion will be administered at the nave platform in one kind (bread) only. Please follow the guidance of stewards and servers. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may like to come forward and receive a blessing (simply bow your head as a signal). Gluten free bread is available; please ask for this from the priest giving communion.

The Thanksgiving

Having now by faith received the precious Body and Blood of Christ, let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

Please remain standing for the Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please remain standing as the Clergy depart

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

A prayer for all affected by coronavirus

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

International	The Anglican Church of Canada Primate Abp Linda Nicholls
National	Grafton: Murray Harvey (Leanne)
South Australia	
<i>Diocese of Adelaide</i>	Chaplain to Flinders University: Deborah Jeanes (Jeff)
<i>Diocese of Willochra</i>	Leigh Creek (Blinman, Hawker, Leigh Creek, the North East): Trevor Briggs (Anne), Arthur Tanner (Jane)
<i>Diocese of The Murray</i>	Upper Limestone Coast (Tatiara): vacant
Immediate Prayer	Edna Allison, Anne Hogben, Margaret Minnis, Alison Lockett, Katie Calvert, Diana Singh, Jennifer Bailey
Long Term Prayer	Bishop Andrew St John, Max Lennard, Chris, Geoff Eastick, Anne Fitzgerald, Cynthia Thomas, Nicholas Tipping, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, Heather Scott, Mary Halczuk, Bob, John Pearse, Ossy Grotto, Richard Haselgrove, Liz Johnson, Cricket Fox, Pauline Van Buren, Peter Garland, Peter Kelly
Year's Mind	12 th James Welsh, Sybil Longman, Wal Trogler Frances Fielden, Lesley Anne Taylor-Maddern 13 th John Charles Bannon AO 15 th Betty Gurney, Garry Green, Samuel Raymond Baron Cornish, David Robin Gordon Hugh St Aidan Oakey, Colin Brown 17 th Reginald William Mathews 18 th Harold Aubrey Williams, Alan Hayward

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Meeting God on Mondays

The Monday Study Group will meet tomorrow, Monday 13 December at 10am in the CP Hall, to reflect on Christmas.

Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold: 7pm on 1079Life. Tonight, Lynn's guest will be The Rev'd Dr Michael Jensen, much published author and commentator on sociological and theological issues

Cathedral Opening Hours: The Cathedral is open for visiting and private prayer on Mondays from 11am-1pm, and Tuesday-Saturday from 11am-3pm.

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2021 Christmas at St Peter's Cathedral

Sunday 19 December 2021

6:00pm: Blue Christmas Service

(Evening service with hymns)

A reflective service for Christmas.

The simple act of lighting a candle serves to remind us that the darkness has not overcome the light. (John 1:5)

Wednesday 22 December 2021

7:00pm Nine Lessons & Carols

Cathedral Choir and Organ

CHRISTMAS EVE

Friday 24 December 2021

4:00pm Christmas Eve Eucharist

Celebrant: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

Preacher: The Rt Rev'd Chris McLeod

7:00pm Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

Cathedral Choir and Organ

Booking via Trybooking link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BVWYY>

11:00pm The First Eucharist of Christmas (Midnight Mass)

Celebrant & Preacher:

The Most Rev'd Geoff Smith,

Archbishop of Adelaide

The Cathedral Choir and Organ

Booking via Trybooking link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BVXAK>

CHRISTMAS DAY

Saturday 25 December 2021

8:00am Holy Communion (BC) with Carols

Celebrant: The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO

Preacher: The Rev'd Peter Jin

10:00am Festive Choral Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher:

The Rt Rev'd Chris McLeod

Booking via Trybooking link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BVXBR>

THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2021

Advent III – Gaudete Sunday

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

10:30am Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

6:00pm Choral Evensong

Preacher: The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod

WEEKDAYS

7:30am Eucharist

(Lady Chapel)

8:45am Morning Prayer

(Dean's Chapel)

WEDNESDAY

10:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

(Lady Chapel)

SUNDAY 19TH DECEMBER 2021

Advent IV

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Preacher: The Rev'd Peter Jin

10:30am Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Peter Jin

6:00pm Blue Christmas



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