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With God's grace, the faith community of All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church in Guelph Ontario welcomes you.



We endeavour to be in right relationship with our Indigenous neighbours.

We strive for racial equity.

We welcome people of any age, gender identity and expression, race, colour and sexual orientation.

We welcome people facing physical or mental challenges, those suffering under addictions, single people and those in any relationship.

Our doors are open to people of uncertain faith or deep faith, from any or no religious tradition.



All are truly welcome.



**Dear Little Saints-
Welcome from all the Big Saints**

*Before the service even starts, you will need to prepare
Upcoming is a longish sit and grownups want you there
Instead of wiggling, yawning, sighing
You could be bright new markers trying or putting stickers in your book
Or even ..take a little look*

*Oh joy, cause somebody loves me true
There's juice or sweets or cookies too*

*When you've been good as gold for ever and still the talking lasts forever
just dig inside and have a treat
Your Sunday sack is really "sweet"!!!!!!
(and also is a take home treat!)*

We welcome all children to our worship. There is no Sunday Church School at this time. Please ask the ushers for a children's bulletin and/or help them fill a bag with activities and treats from the basket in the narthex.

Communion: All are welcome. Please let an usher know if you need to take Communion in your seat.

Please wear a mask during the service

No Scents Makes Good Sense.

Members have indicated that they suffer discomfort from perfumes, hair spray, colognes and after-shave lotion. Please help us provide a scent-free environment.

NAME OF JESUS

Sunday, January 1, 2023.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

Welcome

Acknowledgment of Territory

All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours. We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land.

Gathering Song – **Once in Royal David's City**
269 (Red)

Greeting

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Almighty God,
to you all hearts are opened, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Love Has Come



1 Love has come— a light in the dark - ness! Love shines forth in the
2 Love is born! Come, share in the won - der. Love is God now a -
3 Love has come and nev - er will leave us! Love is life ev - er -



Beth - le - hem skies. See, all heav - en has come to pro - claim it;
sleep in the hay. See the glow in the eyes of his moth - er;
last - ing and free. Love is Je - sus with - in and a - mong us.



hear how their song of joy a - ris - es: Love! Love! Born un - to
what is the name her heart is say - ing? Love! Love! Love is the
Love is the peace our hearts are seek - ing. Love! Love! Love is the



you, a Sav - ior! Love! Love! Glo - ry to God on high.
name she whis - pers; Love! Love! Je - sus, Im - man - u - el.
gift of Christ - mas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Eternal Father, you gave your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be a sign of our salvation. Plant in every heart the love of the Saviour of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: *Numbers 6:22-27*

²² The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: ²³ Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,

²⁴ The LORD bless you and keep you;

²⁵ the LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;

²⁶ the LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

²⁷ So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

- ¹ O | LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—
- ² **you whose glory is chanted above the heavens
out of the mouths of in- | fants and children;
you have set up a fortress against your enemies,
to silence the foe | and avenger.**
- ³ When I consider your heavens, the work | of your
fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,
- ⁴ **what are mere mortals that you should be
mind- | ful of them,
human beings that you should | care for them?**
- ⁵ Yet you have made them little less | than divine;
with glory and hon- | or you crown them.
- ⁶ **You have made them rule over the works | of
your hands;
you have put all things un- | der their feet:**
- ⁷ all | flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts | of the field,
- ⁸ **the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.**
- ⁹ O | LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!

Second Reading – *Galatians 4:4-7*

⁴ When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶ And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” ⁷ So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Gospel Reading – Luke 2:15-21

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵ 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.” ¹⁶ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

²¹ After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Hymn of the Day – **That Boy-Child of Mary**
293 (Red)

Prayers

With wonder and thanksgiving for Christ’s coming into the world, we pray for the church, the life of the earth, and the whole human family.

A brief silence.

You have given the church the holy name of Jesus, and in him we are your beloved children. Unite us in mission through the power of his Spirit. Make us worthy of the name we bear, the name in which we pray. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Restore your glory to the earth. Awaken humanity to our kinship with all living things that depend on your provision. Teach us to care for the earth and safeguard its treasures for those who come after us. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Reconcile the nations. Lead those in conflict into negotiation. End acts of aggression and violence, especially those carried out in your name. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Rescue our siblings in any danger, especially in communities where disaster and disease threaten. Move those in authority to respond with speed and compassion. We pray for the safety of first responders, health care workers, and all who protect us. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Raise up any who are bowed down with illness or sorrow. Deepen our care and concern for one another. We lift to you all who are undergoing transition in relationships, employment, living situation, or health condition. We pray especially for those who desire our prayers: Deacon Chris, Anna-Liisa, Pastor Jeff, Dale, David, Bill, Isa, Benito, and those we name before you in our hearts. *(brief silence...)* God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Redeem us and grant us eternal peace. We give thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in your undying love, made known to us in Jesus our Emmanuel. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Pondering the mystery of eternal love made flesh in Christ Jesus, we commend all for whom we pray to the mercy of God.
Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Merciful Creator

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sin, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you all!
And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offertory: **What Feast of Love # 487 (Red)**

Offering Prayer

Let us pray:

God of abundance,
receive and bless these gifts we have offered.
Join our hearts with the song of the angels,
and gather us at your table of celebration.
Strengthen us to share with all the world
the abundance of your grace upon grace,
poured out in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy God,

Creator of all and Source of life,
at the birth of time
your word brought light into the world.

In the fullness of time,

you sent your Word, born of Mary,
to shine in our darkness
and to make us your daughters and sons.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

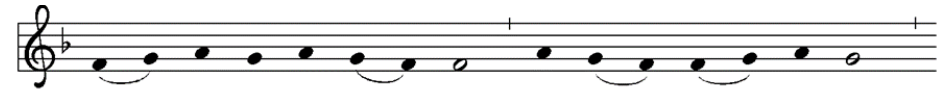
Remembering, therefore,

his birth and life among us,
his death and resurrection,
we await his coming again
when all things will be restored in him.

By your Spirit bless us and this bread and cup,

that, held and nourished by you,
we may live as your children,
shining with the light of Christ,
through whom all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever. **Amen**

Lord's Prayer



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,



your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.



Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we



for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al



and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,



and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

Invitation to Communion

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Christ spreads a table before you.

Gather here with all the saints.

Thanks be to God!

Spiritual Communion

For those who may feel uncomfortable coming forward to receive communion at the altar, here is a prayer of "Spiritual Communion" that might work for you:

Jesus, I believe that you are present with us in the sacrament of bread and wine. I love you and I desire your presence afresh in my life. Since I cannot now receive the bread and wine of the altar, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself to you; never let me be separated from you. Amen.

Communion Hymns



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Creator of the Stars of Night # 96 (Blue)

O Come, Little Children # 127 (Blue)

Table Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever.
Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

God our redeemer,
you have fed us at this table
with gifts of grace, truth, and life.
As you have gathered us in joy,
send us forth as messengers of your peace.
Make us shine with the good news of your glory,
born to us in Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.
Amen.

Announcements

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Benediction

May God bless you and keep you,
may God's face shine upon you and be gracious to you,
may God look upon you with favour,
and † give you peace.
Amen.

**The blessing of the God of life be ours.
The blessing of the loving Christ be ours.
The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours,
to cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.**

Sending Song – **All My Heart Again Rejoices**
273 (Red)

Dismissal

Christ the Saviour is born!
Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.
Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Announcements and Information

We pray for:

ACC: The National Indigenous Anglican Bishop, and the staff of Indigenous Ministries; the Anglican Council of Indigenous People.

ELCIC: Bishop Michael Pryse, the people and rostered ministers of the Eastern Synod.

Altar Guild for January: Thank you to Suzanne Worthen and Janet Weigel.

2023 Calendars: There is a box on the bookshelf in the Parlour for 2023 calendars - please add one if you have too many or take one if you need it. Thank you.

Connections: The deadline for the next issue of *Connections* is Sunday January 15, 2023. Please submit items to Christine Morrison at cjmorrison263@gmail.com

Envelopes : Envelopes for 2023 are ready to pick up in your mailboxes. Thank you.

The AV Campaign is still on! Check out our progress each week of our AV fundraising campaign on the sign in the narthex. Can you help? Write **AV project** on your envelope or e-transfer!

Ushers needed: More ushers are needed for the 10:00 am service. If you have served as an usher or if you are interested in serving, training is provided. Please contact Jan Nielsen jannielsen@rogers.com or let the office know. Thank you.

Silvercreek Community Market: We are in particular need of rice, red lentils and cooking oil. Thank you.

Puzzle Library: We have started a puzzle library located in the small bookcase in the narthex. Please feel free to borrow from or add puzzles to the pile!

LOOKING AHEAD: Jan 2. - Jan. 8

Monday 2	9:45 am	Creative Crafting Rose Head Hall
Tuesday 3	6:30 pm	Confirmation Class Parlour
Wednesday 4	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
Thursday 5	11:30 am - 3:30 pm	Silvercreek Community Market Rose Head Hall
Saturday 7	9:00 am	Altar guild clean up Nave
Sunday 8	8:30 am	Name of Jesus Holy Communion - Nave
	10:00 am	Name of Jesus Holy Communion - Nave

Offerings can be placed in the trays at the back of the pews until the end of the Gathering Hymn.

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