

THE NAMING OF JESUS COMMEMORATION OF THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR DIOCESE January 1st, 2022

Christ Church Cathedral Ottawa

Choral Morning Prayer for Christmastide (Livestreamed)

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Introit

Sir Christèmas – William Mathias

Nowell nowell, nowell nowell. Who is there that singeth so: nowell nowell? I am here, Sir Christèmas. Welcome, my Lord Sir Christèmas! Welcome to all, both more and less! Come near, nowell! Dieu vous garde, beaux sieurs, tidings I you bring: A maid hath borne a child full young, Which causeth you to sing Nowell nowell, nowell nowell. Christ is now born of a pure maid, In an ox-stall he is laid; Wherefore sing we all at a brayde: Nowell nowell, nowell nowell. Buvez bien par toute la compagnie. Make good cheer and be right merry, And sing with us now joyfully: Nowell nowell, nowell nowell!

Introductory Responses

Blessed are you, O Christ, incarnate Word, you were before time began and came into the world to save us. Blessed are you, Sun of righteousness; you shine with the love of God and illumine the whole universe. Blessed are you, Child of Mary; born in a manger, you shared our humanity.

Let heaven and earth shout their praise.

With all the voices of heaven, we celebrate your coming, O Emmanuel. Let heaven and earth shout their praise.

With all the creatures on earth we sing and dance at your birth, O Shoot of Jesse. Let heaven and earth shout their praise.

Antioch

Hymn

Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth receive her King; let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing; and heaven and nature sing; and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Saviour reigns: let us glad songs employ; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the soundingjoy; repeat the soundingjoy; repeat, repeat the soundingjoy.

No more let sin and sorrow grow, nor thorns infest the ground: he comes to make his blessings flow far as our sin is found; far as our sin is found; far as, far as our sin is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his right eousness and wonders of his love; and wonders of his love; and wonders, and wonders of his love.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Psalm 8

O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world! Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens. You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses, what are mortals that you should be mindful of them, their children that you should seek them out? You have made them but little lower than the angels; you adorn them with glory and honour; you give them mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under their feet; all sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and all that walks in the paths of the sea. O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world! Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

First Reading (Read in French)

A reading from the book of Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus everyknee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and everytongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. Thanks be to God.

The Responsory

The Word of life which was from the beginning, **we proclaim to you.**

The darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining;

the Word of life which was from the beginning.

That which we heard, which we saw with our eyes, and touched with our hands, we proclaim to you. For our fellowship is with God and with God's beloved, Jesus the Christ. **The Word of life which was from the beginning we proclaim to you.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 2:15-21

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Motet

A tendershoot – Otto Goldschmidt

A tender shoot hath started up from a root of grace, as ancient seers imparted from Jesse's holy race. It blooms without a blight, blooms in the cold bleak midwinter turning our darkness into light. This shoot, Isaiah taught us, from Jesse's root should spring. The Virgin Mary brought us the branch of which we sing. Our God of endless might, our God of endless might, gave her this child to save us, thus turning darkness into light.

Sermon

Motet

Joys seven – arr. Stephen Cleobury

The first good joy that Mary had it was the joy of one, To see the blessed Jesus Christ, when he was first her son When he was first her son, good folk, and blessed may he be, Both Father, Son and Holy Ghost, through all eternity. The next good Joy that Maryhad it was the joy of two, To see her own son, Jesus Christ, to make the lame to go, To make the lame to go, good folk, and blessed may he be, Both Father, Son and Holy Ghost, through all eternity. The next good joy that Mary had it was the joy of three, To see her own son Jesus Christ to make the blind to see. To make the blind to see, good folk, and blessed mayhe be, Both Father, Son and HolyGhost, through all eternity. The next good joy that Maryhad it was the joy of four, To see her own son Jesus Christ to read the bible o'er. To read the bible o'er, good folk, and blessed may he be, Both Father, Son and Holy Ghost, through all eternity. The next good joy that Maryhad it was the joy of five, To see her own son Jesus Christ to bring the dead alive. To bring the dead alive, good folk, and blessed may he be, Both Father, Son and Holy Ghost, through all eternity. The next good joy that Maryhad it was the joy of six, To see her own son Jesus Christ upon the crucifix, Upon the crucifix, good folk, and blessed may he be, Both Father, Son and Holy Ghost, through all eternity. The next good joy that Maryhad it was the joy of seven, To see her own son Jesus Christ to wear the Crown of Heaven. To wear the Crown of Heaven, good folk, and blessed may he be, Both Father, Son and Holy Ghost, through all et ernity.

Affirmation of Faith

Hear, O Israel,

the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and the great commandment. The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.

THE PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and especially upon this Diocese of Ottawa, as we give thanks for all we have learned from our past; and as we look with courage to the future. By the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquillity the plan of salvation. Let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Litany of the Saints

Becker

(Adapted to reflect the names of congregations in the Diocese of Ottawa)

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Mary the Virgin, **pray for us.** Bartholomew and Michael, **pray for us.** Columba, Aidan, Julian, **pray for us.** Bernard and John the Baptist, **pray for us.** Augustine and Patrick, **pray for us.** Barnabas and Helen, **pray for us.** Clare, Bede, Matthias, **pray for us.** Alban, Thomas, Stephen, **pray for us. All you holy men and women, pray for us.**

John the Divine, **pray for us.** Margaret and Andrew, **pray for us**. Anthonyand Clement, **pray for us**. Mary Magdalene, **pray for us**. James, George, Martin, **pray for us**. John, Apostle and Evangelist, **pray for us**. Matthew, Mark, Luke, **pray for us**. Peter, Paul and All Saints, **pray for us**. All you holy men and women, **pray for us**.

Lord, be merciful, **save your people.** From all evil, **save your people.** From everysin, **save your people.** From everlasting death, **save your people.** By your incarnation, **save your people.** By your death and resurrection, **save your people.** By your gift of the spirit, **save your people.** Have mercy on us sinners, **save your people.** Christ, hear us. Lord Jesus, hear our prayers.

Lord, give your Spirit, hear our prayer. To us, chosen, hear our prayer. By the grace of baptism, hear our prayer. O Jesus, Son of the living God, hear our prayer. Send your Spirit, hear our prayer. In its fullness, hear our prayer. On us, your servants, hear our prayer. Who believe and profess you, hear our prayer. Christ, hear us. Lord Jesus, hear our prayers.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Eternal God, we give thanks for your incarnate Son, whose name is our salvation. Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Saviour of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father,

who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who 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 SENDING OF THE COMMUNITY

Fanfare

Anniversary Proclamations

Episcopal Blessing

Hymn

Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice! Listen now to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today; ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now. Christ is born today; Christ is born today!

Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice! Hear the news of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this; he has opened heaven's door and we are blessed for evermore! Christ was born for this; Christ was born for this! In dulci jubilo

Good Christians all, rejoice with heart and soul and voice! Now you need not fear the grave; Jesus Christ was born to save: come at his most gracious call to find salvation, one and all! Christ was born to save; Christ was born to save!

Postlude

Toccata on 'Joy to the World' – Martin Setchell

Dean Beth Bretzlaff, Bishop Shane Parker
Archbishop Linda Nicholls
Bob Albert, Canon Hilary Murray
Nicholas Walters
James Calkin
Lay Clerks of the Cathedral Choir

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