

A WARM WELCOME
to Visitors and Newcomers!



Our Children's Ministry Meets downstairs during the 11 a.m. service most weeks. The children will process downstairs during the Gradual Hymn.



Washroom Facilities are located through the tunnel on the right side of the chancel and down the stairs. There is also an accessible washroom in the South Transept (to the right of the Chancel).



Assisted Listening Devices are available at the entrance.



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The Cathedral **MESSENGER**

**Welcome to the Anglican Cathedral of
St. John the Baptist
26 January 2025
The Third Sunday after Epiphany**

Coming up this week...

Wednesday 7:30 p.m. The Cathedral Choir Crypt

Set Sail Sunday: Set Sail is the Diocesan Strategic Plan designed to help parishes focus their ministries around the four "ships" – Relationship, Discipleship, Stewardship, and Partnership. Last year we focused on Relationship and Discipleship, and this year we will focus on Stewardship and Partnership. Hugh Donnan, our Parish Navigator for the Set Sail Plan, will present on these two 'ships' this morning.

The Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for February 16th, immediately following the 11 a.m. service. We will need to **elect 4 new Vestry members, a Youth Vestry member, and a new People's Warden.** If you are interested in putting your name forward for any of these positions on Vestry, please contact the Dean or one of the Wardens. The Financial Statements for 2024 will not be available at this meeting, but will be presented to the Congregation when they are available.

Please note that our Vicar, the Rev'd Gail Dick, will be away from the Parish for a few weeks on family matters. She plans to return in February.

2024 Annual Reports due January 31st: Please arrange to have your 2024 Annual Reports sent to Jill Kenny by Friday, January 31st. If your report needs to be typed, please deliver it to the Parish Office to the attention of Jill. Otherwise, you can send it electronically to office@ourcathedral.ca. Thank you for your timely attention. Please note: If you are not sure if you should prepare a report, please contact the Cathedral office @ 726-5677.

Monthly Special Offering Intentions: Our special intention for this month is **“Initial giving for the New Year”**. Please write **“Initial”** on your envelope or in the memo of your electronic donation.

We gratefully acknowledge donations to:

The General Fund † *In loving memory of Dorothy Noel* from David and Mary Tulett.

Upcoming Sunday Services:

February 2nd: The Presentation of Christ (Candlemas)

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Eucharist

February 9th: 5th Sunday after Epiphany

– 11 a.m. BAS Choral Eucharist & Baptism

February 16th: Septuagesima

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Eucharist

February 23rd: 7th Sunday after Epiphany

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Eucharist

Weekday Morning Prayer:

9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday

Lectionary Readings for next Sunday, February 2nd:

Malachi 3:1-4; Hebrews 2:14-18; Psalm 84; Luke 2:22-40.

2025 Calendars featuring the Cathedral’s beautiful stained-glass windows are now available for \$15.

Please note that the first Altar Guild Meeting of the year will be held on Friday, February 7th at 2:30 p.m. in the Crypt.

Lent 2025

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, which is on March 5th this year. Even though we are still in Epiphany, our planning for Lent has already begun. We are planning a couple of changes to the way we will observe Lent, and we would appreciate any feedback you may have for us.

Wednesday Compline: for many years we have held a mid-week service of Compline throughout Lent. In the past few years attendance at this service has been extremely low. Last year, regular attendance was less than 5 people (other than the choir and clergy), and there were weeks with 1 or 2, and even no people in the congregation. As much as we love Compline, we have to question whether we continue with this practice. Knowing that some people will join the service on-line, we could perhaps make services from previous years available at the appropriate times. If you would like to share your thoughts about Lenten Compline, please contact the Dean.

Lenten Book Study: on Sundays in Lent we will be taking a **virtual journey to the holy land**, with the guidance of the Very Rev’d Canon Richard Sewell, Dean of St. George’s College in Jerusalem. During the pandemic, realizing that people were not able to make pilgrimages to the holy lands, Dean Sewell prepared a Lenten Study with reflections, videos, and study questions, to allow people to join in a virtual pilgrimage. That study is now available in book form. We will use this book to guide us on a virtual journey this Lent. The book is called, **“River through the Desert: a Lenten journey in the holy land,”** by Richard Sewell. You can purchase the book yourself (about \$22 through on-line sites such as Amazon and Chapters-Indigo) or the Dean is happy to make a bulk purchase. So, if you are interested in this study, **please contact the Dean**. Also, please let the Dean know if you would like him to purchase the book on your behalf. The plan is to meet in the Crypt at 4 p.m. each Sunday in Lent: we would share the reflection, watch the video, and look at the questions provided. For those who want to stay on, we could then share supper together. We would hopefully be finished by about 6 or 6:30, giving people time to get home before dark (through most of the weeks!). Please speak to the Dean for more information

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)

BCP p. 67, Propers p. 126.

11:00 a.m. Choral Mattins (BCP)

Opening Sentence	BCP p. 3
Hymn: 601 How beautiful the march of days	<i>Forest Green</i>
Exhortation, Confession, & Absolution	p. 4
The Lord's Prayer	p. 5
Versicles and Responses	<i>Smith</i>
Canticle: Venite (O come, let us sing unto the Lord)	<i>McGrath</i>
Psalm 19	<i>Anglican Chant</i>
Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10	Eric Steele
Canticle: Te deum	<i>Anglican Chant</i>
Luke 4:14-21	William Pryse-Philips
Canticle: Benedictus	<i>Stanford</i>
The Apostles' Creed	p. 10
Versicles and Responses	<i>Smith</i>
The Collect for the Day	
The Collects for Peace & Grace	p. 11
Anthem: The meditations of my heart	<i>E. Hagenburg</i>
Set Sail Presentation	Hugh Donnan
Hymn: 426 I feel the winds of God today	<i>Kingsfold</i>
The Prayers	
A General Thanksgiving	p. 14
The Prayer of St. Chrysostom & The Grace	p. 15
Closing Hymn: 388 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun	<i>Duke Street</i>

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Join the NSO for Masterworks 3: Love Notes. Let your heart be swept away by the enchanting melodies of the Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra's Masterworks 3: Love Notes. Join us on Friday, February 7th at 8pm at the Arts & Culture Centre for an unforgettable evening of romantic music, led by the charismatic conductor Julian Pellicano. The concert begins with the thrilling *Der Freischütz Overture* by C. M. von Weber, setting the stage with its dramatic and evocative themes. Next, you will hear 12-year old guest artist Angela Yixuan Miao on the piano as she performs Chopin's exquisite *Concerto No. 2 in F*. The evening continues with *Adagietto* from Mahler's *Symphony No. 5*. Finally, experience the passion and drama of Tchaikovsky's *Romeo and Juliet Fantasy Overture*, a musical portrayal of the timeless love story that has captivated audiences for generations. Don't miss this chance to indulge in a wonderful evening – perfect for a Valentine's celebration. **Tickets are available at the ACC Box Office (709-729-3900), online at www.artsandculturecentre.com, and at the door.**

Let the Organ Thunder – Join Cowan Heights United Church (141 Frecker Drive) **Tonight, January 26th at 7:00 p.m.** for an unforgettable evening as we celebrate the debut of our magnificent new organ! This joyous event will feature breathtaking organ selections, spirited congregational hymns, and inspiring performances on our new instrument by Dr. Philip Roberts with selections from soloists Christina Acton, Nicholas LeBlanc, and Benjamin James. Come and be uplifted by the power of music in this celebratory showcase. Admission by donation.