

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).



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The Cathedral **MESSENGER**

**Welcome to the Anglican Cathedral of
St. John the Baptist
8 February 2026
The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
Sexagesima**

Coming up this week...

Wednesday 7:30pm Cathedral Choir Crypt

The Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for next Sunday, 15 February, following the 11 am service. We will be looking to **elect 3 new members of Vestry and a Youth Member (ages 16-24).** If anyone is interested, or would like to find out more about Vestry, please speak to one of the Wardens or the Dean. **The Annual Report for 2025 is available today. Please note that the Financial portion of the Annual Meeting will take place at a later date, when the statements are available.**

The Installation of the new Cathedral Chapter, along with the Diocesan Chancellor, and the commissioning of the Bishop's Council, will take place at **this afternoon at 3 pm (Sunday, 8 February).** All are welcome!

We gratefully acknowledge donations to:

The Altar Guild Flower Fund † *In loving memory of Bobbie Green* on the occasion of her birthday on February 7th from Deanna.

The General Fund † *In memory of Roberta Green,* who would have turned 86 years old this Saturday, from Jennifer, Geoff, and David.

Lent 2026

Wednesday Services in Lent

Ash Wednesday, February 18th: 7 p.m. BCP Choral Eucharist & the Imposition of Ashes.

On **Wednesdays from February 25th to March 25th** we will post a service of **Sung Compline** on our Facebook page and YouTube Channel. This service will be on-line only.

Lenten Book Study: This year's Lenten Study will be focused on the book by Paula Gooder, **Women of Holy Week**. Each week will focus on the story of one or two women, following the Gospel Story from Palm Sunday to Ascension. It will not be necessary to purchase the book, but if you would like a copy, the Dean can provide the information. The plan is to meet in the Crypt at 4 p.m. each Sunday in Lent, beginning **February 22nd**. We would share the story and related Bible passage, and then reflect on 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. Please let the Dean know if you would like to join the Lenten Study and if you would be planning to stay for supper.

Movies for Lent: Faith, Film, and the Lenten Journey

Following a program created by the Diocese of Algoma and Thorneloe University, we are considering offering **Movies for Lent** — a seven-week, lectionary-based series that pairs Scripture with thoughtfully chosen films. Curated by the Rev'd Jason Tripp, President Thorneloe University, the series explores themes such as lament, temptation, grace, redemption, and sacrifice through contemporary and classic cinema. There will be a discussion guide to support personal reflection or group conversation for each week. The movies for the series are: **Mass; Conclave; A Hidden Life; Calvary; The Truman Show; Pig; and The Iron Giant**. If enough people are interested, we would choose an evening that is convenient and gather to watch the movie, share some snacks, and discuss the questions. You do not need to commit to all seven weeks, we are just trying to explore interest at this point. So, if you are interested in joining the group, please speak to the Dean.

Upcoming Sunday Services:

February 15th: Last Sunday after Epiphany

– 9 a.m. BCP Holy Eucharist (said)

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Mattins

February 22nd: Lent I

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Eucharist & the Great Litany

March 1st: Lent II

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Eucharist

March 8th: Lent III

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Eucharist

Weekday Morning Prayer: 9:30 am Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday.

Monthly Special Offering Intentions: Our special intention for this month is **Emmaus House Food Bank**. Please write "**Food Bank**" on your envelope or in the memo of your electronic donation.

Book Sale and Thrift Shop – Wesley United Church

Wesley United Church (Patrick St. & Hamilton Avenue) will be holding a book sale on Saturday February 21st from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm. All paperbacks will be on sale at a cost of 4 for \$1. At the same time the Wesley Thrift Shop will also be open, so come browse books and shop for great finds. All are welcome!

Gonzaga High School will be holding its annual **Ocean Ranger Memorial Prayer Service** to remember those who lost their lives in the tragedy 44 years ago. The service will be held at 1 pm on Thursday, February 12 at the Basilica of St. John the Baptist. The service will be livestreamed: www.youtube.com/@BasilicaHeritageFoundation.

THE CFUW GREAT BIG BOOK SALE is scheduled for Thursday, March 26th – 1pm to 9pm; Friday, March 27th – 10am to 9pm; & Saturday, March 28th – *Half Price Day* – 10am to 1pm. Books may be dropped off 7 days a week from 11am to 3pm, February 28th to March 15th. Encyclopedias, magazines, textbooks, Reader's Digest books, computer books with publication dates prior to 2020, VHS and cassette tapes are **not acceptable**. LOCATION: 48 Kenmount Road (formerly Globo Shoes). Proceeds fund scholarships and community outreach projects. Thank you for your support!



Community Connector – A Mobile Place of Welcome and Belonging

This **Mobile Ministry Bus**, an initiative of the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador, is expected to launch with the next two months, and will help meet the needs of people from all communities in our province who come to St. John's for basic services. It is our hope that this endeavor will provide a space for those living on the streets to get warm in the winter and cool in the summer, to provide a simple hot meal, coffee & tea or a cold drink, and provide basic clothing and hygiene & toiletry items.

We are getting very close to being on the road. Thank you to those from all over Newfoundland and Labrador who have contributed with so many items and financial donations.

How can you help?

* You can donate through the Cathedral, or send or drop off donations to Church House, 22 Church Hill, St. John's, NL A1C 3Z9. Note the Donation to "Mobile Ministry Bus." A receipt for tax purposes will be issued. E-transfers and credit card donations can be made by contacting the Rev'd Fred Marshall.

Other items that may be donated – **we can only accept new items:**

- Personal care items such as shampoo: travel size is preferred as those in need tend to carry everything they have in a single bag/case.
- While we have received much outerwear, keep in mind that items such as underwear are equally important.
- Footwear, especially for winter, is badly needed.
- Sleeping bags and small tents would be used.
- Financial donations are greatly appreciated as they will help offset the operation costs of fuel, food & drinks etc.
- Do you know anyone in the food or hospitality business who may be interested in donating coffee, tea bags, packets of sugar, hotel size soaps & shampoos? How about a dental office which may have samples of toothpaste and toothbrushes?

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11:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist (BAS)
Setting: **New Plainsong (David Hurd)**

Opening Hymn: **5 Christ, whose glory fills the skies** *Heathlands*
The Gathering of the Community BAS p. 185
The Gloria
The Collect of the Day *p. 353*
The Proclamation of the Word
Isaiah 58:1-12 **William Pryse-Phillips**
Psalms 112:1-10 p. 860
1 Corinthians 2:1-12 **Rohan Dawkins**
Gradual Hymn: **CP 502 You are salt for the earth** *Bring forth...*
The Holy Gospel: **Matthew 5:13-20**
Sermon **The Very Reverend Roger Whalen**
The Nicene Creed
The Prayers of the People
The Confession and Absolution p. 191
The Peace p. 192
Offertory Hymn: **487 Come down, O love Divine** *Down Ampney*
The Celebration of the Eucharist
Prayer over the Gifts p. 354
Eucharistic Prayer #1 p. 193
The Lord's Prayer p. 211
The Breaking of the Bread #1 p. 212
THE COMMUNION
Anthem: ***O Come and sing unto the Lord*** **Larson**
Prayer after Communion p. 354
Doxology p. 214
The Blessing
Closing Hymn: **388 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun** *Duke Street*
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You are salt for the earth

(The Congregation sings the **Bold** text)

You are salt for the earth, O people:

Salt for the kingdom of God!

Share the flavour of life, O people:

Life in the kingdom of God!

Refrain: **Bring forth the kingdom of mercy,
Bring forth the kingdom of peace;
Bring forth the kingdom of justice,
Bring forth the kingdom of God!**

2. You are a light on the hill, O people:

Light for the city of God!

Shine so holy and bright, O people;

Shine for the kingdom of God! Refrain...

3. You are a seed of the Word, O people:

Bring forth the kingdom of God!

Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice

Grow in the kingdom of God! Refrain...

4. We are a blest and a pilgrim people

Bound for the kingdom of God!

Love our journey and love our homeland:

Love is the kingdom of God! Refrain...