



St. Matthew
the Apostle, Oriole
Anglican Church

Come. See. Journey.

The Epiphany of the Lord
December 31st, 2017

SUNDAY SERVICES

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist
with Church School

5:00 p.m. Evening Service

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***“To Seek and Serve
Christ in all persons”***

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The Epiphany of the Lord
8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST (BAS)

WE WELCOME YOU TODAY TO

ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE - ORIOLE ANGLICAN CHURCH

*We welcome you today to St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole Anglican Church. We follow the Order of Service in the green **Book of Alternative Services**, found in the pew, beginning on p. 230.*

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Acts 19:1-7

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The Epiphany of the Lord
10:00 a.m. CHORAL EUCHARIST (BAS)
The Gathering of the Community

We welcome you today to St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole Anglican Church. The entire service is printed in the bulletin with the exception of the hymns which are found in the blue Common Praise book in your pew. For today, children will remain in the service. We have activity bags available from the Sidespeople for the children's use during the service.

Prelude: "All hail this brightest day" J. S. Bach

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him *Matthew 2.2*

Hymn 139 "The first Nowell the angel did say" THE FIRST NOWELL

The celebrant greets the community

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Almighty God,

All: to you all hearts are open, 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Glory to God in the highest,

All: and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY *(please remain standing)*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Eternal God, who by a star led wise men to the worship of your Son. Guide by your light the nations of the earth, that the whole world may know your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14

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Second Lesson: Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles -- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of

Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 140 "It came upon the midnight clear" CAROL

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

(Matthew 2:1-12)

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: The Venerable Kyn Barker

The Apostles' Creed *(Please stand)*

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the people *(Please stand, sit or kneel as you prefer and are able.)*

Litanist: What has come into being in Christ was life,

People: and the life was the light of all people.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence for reflection is kept

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

All: 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 name. Amen.

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

The Peace *(Please stand)*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you

All: And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory 159 "Brightest and best of the stars of the morning" STELLA ORIENTIS

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Prayer Over The Gifts

Celebrant: Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you have revealed your eternal plan of salvation, and have shown your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of all peoples. Therefore with angels and archangels we raise our voices in joyful praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had

given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, " Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All: we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer *(sung)*

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

All : Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

All: God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Those not receiving communion may wish to receive a blessing instead. To indicate this to the priest, please cross your hands over your chest. Communicants who do not wish to drink from the chalice should not dip the bread into the cup. Instead, after eating the bread, cross your hands over your chest as the chalice bearer passes by, or make a sign of reverence by gently touching the base of the chalice when it is presented to you. Those drinking from the chalice are asked to assist the chalice bearer by grasping it at the base and guiding it to their lips.

Any children wishing to receive from the chalice are encouraged to stand to assist the chalice bearer.

Anointing: *If you wish to receive anointing for healing, please approach one of the he anointers prior to receiving Holy Communion.*

Communion: "We three kings of Orient are" American Carol

We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain
Following yonder star

Refrain

O Star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy Perfect Light

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain
Gold I bring to crown Him again
King forever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign

Refrain

Frankincense to offer have I
Incense owns a Deity nigh
Prayer and praising, all men raising
Worship Him, God most high

Refrain

Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume
Breathes of life of gathering gloom
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb

Refrain

Glorious now behold Him arise
King and God and Sacrifice
Alleluia, Alleluia
Earth to heav'n replies

Refrain

Motet: "All this time" William Walton

Prayer after Communion (*Please stand*)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

God of all the nations of the earth, guide us with your light. Help us to recognize Christ as he comes to us in this eucharist and in our neighbours. May we welcome him with love, for he is Lord now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Recessional Hymn 160 "As with gladness men of old"DIX

DISMISSAL

Archdeacon: Go forth in the name of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Basse de Trompette" François Couperin

CYCLE OF PRAYER

World: Zululand, Southern Africa
Diocese: Director and staff of Communications and Information Resources
and Director and staff of Financial Management
Deanery: St. Theodore of Canterbury
Parish: Families of ***Yeates & Young***

ASSISTING TODAY

Preaching:		The Venerable Kyn Barker
Sidespersons:	8:00 a.m.	Lesley Huether
	10:00 a.m.	The Elan Seales Team
Readers:	8:00 a.m.	Lesley Huether, Shyamal Ray
	10:00 a.m.	Dennis Chalmers, Kathy Chalmers
Thurifer:	10:00 a.m.	Clifford Wong
Chalice:	8:00 a.m.	Susan Porter
	10:00 a.m.	Val Seales
Altar Guild:		Usha Singh

There will be no Sunday School for the duration of the school holiday. Sunday School will resume on **Sunday, January 14th 2018.**



**THE CHRISTMAS GREENERY AND PLANTS
are given to the glory of God by**

Laurel Allen	In memory of departed loved ones
Margaret Allen	In memory brother Bradford, and grandmother Clarice Montague, and Angeline Hamilton
Barker Family	In memory of Elva and Jack Edmiston and Jill Reeve
Claudette Blake and family	In memory of loved ones
Harold and June Browne	In memory of loved ones
Nancy Camps	In memory of loved ones
Victoria and Maurice Charles	In loving memory of our parents, brothers and sisters
The Huk Danelesko Family	In memory of loved ones
Vivienne Fetherston	In memory of John Fetherston, Gertrude Smith and Charles and George
Norm and Mary Fox	In loving memory of loved ones
Beverley Griffiths	In memory of James and Beryl Griffiths
Georgina Hew	In memory of her mother, Pamela
Atheline Hunte	In memory of loved ones
Rudolf and Sally-Anne Hrica	In memory of Helen and Palo
Judy and Ted Jackson	In memory of loved ones
B. James	In memory of loved ones
The Jansz family	In memory of Monica and Aubrey Jansz, and Sharon Prashad
Douglas Jacques	In loving memory of Nancy Jacques, wife and mother
Donna Lam, Diana Ewert-Lam, Philip, Rebekah and Matthew Lam	In loving memory of Barbara and Alfred Lam, Gertrude and Arthur Van Ryck deGroot, and Eunice and Neville Luck



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Keith and Delores Lawrence	In memory of Our parents, Hortense and Harold Lawrence, Frank and Lillian Dussard
Jo-Anne, Lori-Jo and Kelly McMath	In memory of Ken McMath
The McQuistons	In memory of Tom McQuiston
Paula and Gord Mount and family	In loving memory of departed loved ones
Rev. Lisa, Geoff, Paige and Colin Newland	In loving memory of our aunt & great aunt, Elizabeth Bailey
Stephen and Jane O'Keefe	In memory of our parents, our brother-in-law, Bill, and our friend Gavin
Ann Padmore	In memory of Winnie Padmore
Indranee Seevaratnam	In memory of Lavan Seevaratnam
Val and Elan Seales	In loving memory of Colville and Muriel Seales, and Cecil and Evangeline Williams
Joy Walker	In of the Walker family, Mom and Dad
Cecile Weil	In memory of Eric & Mavis Spence, and Karl & Ella Weil
Ian and Shirley Young	In memory of departed loved ones
Sylvia Sutherland	In memory of Gladys and Samuel Thomas, Sylvia's parents
Joy Walker	In loving memory of the Walker family, Mom and Dad
Cecile Weil	In memory of Eric and Mavis Spence, and Karl and Ella Weil
Ian and Shirley Young	In memory of departed loved ones

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Isaiah 60:1–6

Modern scholars often refer to the final eleven chapters of Isaiah as Third Isaiah. Much of it likely dates from the time of the return of the people to Judah during the Persian period (550-330 BCE), as it reflects some issues of the period (e.g. concern to establish normative sabbath observance). But its writers shared the images of the great return and in-gathering of the peoples, and the universal faithfulness of God that form the backbone of Isaiah of Babylon's poems in chapters 40-55. Today's reading is an oracle of a new dawning for Jerusalem, in which not only the dispersed children of Israel will return from exilic dispersion, but the nations of the world will flock to Jerusalem bringing gifts. The closing verses of the chapter evoke a world of plenty, in which violence and destruction are replaced by Peace and Justice, and in which Jerusalem is a dwelling place for the glory and light of God for all time (compare Revelation 21:22ff). In that light, God's faithful people will flourish, and their lives will become a perpetual glorification of the God who has saved them.

[Walter Deller/2017]

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UPCOMING EVENTS		
January 2018		
The Baptism of the Lord Sunday, 7th	8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	10:00 a.m.	Sung Communion Service
Tuesday, 9th	7:30 p.m.	Advisory Board Meeting
Saturday, 13th	1:30- 4:00 p.m.	Social Justice & Advocacy Vestry Motion Workshop
Sunday, 21st	4:30 p.m.	Collation of Archdeacons and installation of Canons at St. James Cathedral
Sunday 28th	7:30 p.m.	Organ Recital by David Braund

Note: There will be no 5:00 p.m. service today.
Service will resume next Sunday, January 7th, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

RECTOR'S CONTACT INFORMATION

Rev. Lisa's Sabbath day is Mondays. Rev. Lisa's office hours are generally 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Tuesdays – Thursdays at the church. Fridays are a home office day for sermon preparation. She may be reached through the church office at 416-494-7020 ext. 2 or at 416-756-9130 outside of office hours.

CHURCH ASSISTANT'S OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday: Noon. – 6:00 p. m.

Parish Officers

Rector's Warden
Peoples' Warden
Deputy Wardens

Valerie Seales
Margaret Allen
Raine Liliefeldt
Norma Walker Roberts

Treasurer
Office/Rentals
Envelope Secretary
Sidespeople 8:00
10:00

Kakra Winful
Virendra Singh
Donna Lam
Shyamal Ray
Roland Wood
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Church School
Nursery
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Flowers
Social Justice & Outreach

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Susan Porter
Diane Wilton
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Minoli Gunawardana
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