

# The Anglican Parish of Holy Cross

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**December 27, 2020**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas**

**Officiant: The Rev. Dr. Carmen Maier**

Prelude: "Gloria (Angels, We Have Heard on High)" – Wayne Wold

Solo: "Good Christians All, Rejoice"

*Good Christians all, rejoice  
with hearth 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 hearth 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.*

Collect of the Day: Almighty God, you have shed upon us the new light of your incarnate Word. May this light, enkindled in our hearts, shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

First Reading: Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Psalm 148

Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7

Solo: "Infant Lowly"

*Infant holy, infant lowly,  
for his bed a cattle stall;  
oxen lowing, little knowing  
Christ the babe is Lord of all.  
Swift are winging angels singing,  
Nowells ringing, tidings bringing:  
Christ the babe is Lord of all,  
Christ the babe is Lord of all!*

*Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping  
vigil till the morning new  
saw the glory, heard the story,  
tidings of a gospel true.  
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow,  
praises voicing greet tomorrow:  
Christ the babe was born for you,  
Christ the babe was born for you!*

The Gospel according to Luke 2:22-40

The Intercession:

- The Anglican Communion: Christians in other denominations and the work of the ecumenical movement: His Holiness Pope Francis, Bishop of Rome; His All Holiness Archbishop Bartholomew of Constantinople, New Rome and Ecumenical Patriarch; The General Secretary of the World Council of Churches; Bishop Ivan Abrahams, General Secretary World Methodist Council; The Reverend Chris Ferguson, General Secretary of the World Communion of Reformed Churches

- The Anglican Church of Canada: The Most Rev. Linda Nicholls, Primate; The Diocese of Saskatchewan: The Rt. Rev. Michael Hawkins, Bishop
- The Diocese of Calgary: The Most Rev. Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Archbishop of Calgary and Metropolitan of Rupert's Land; Cathedral Church of the Redeemer, Calgary: The Very Rev. Leighton Lee, The Rev. Helen Belcher, Canon Cyril Challice, The Rev. James Buenting
- Our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands: The Rt. Rev. Leopold Friday, Bishop; St. George with St. Vincent, St. Peter, St. Luke and St. Alban on Grenada: The Ven. Michael Marshall
- St. Patrick with St. Mary and St. Francis on Grenada
- Our Parish: Curate, The Rev. Dr. Carmen Maier
- Our Members: Joanne Deaver; Robert and Audrey Deaver; Vergensie and Henno deBoer; Allan and Gladys Demerais; Hugh and Pauline Dempsey
- The World: Nicaragua; all people and countries affected by natural disasters or terrorist attacks; for peace and reconciliation
- Those in Need in Our Parish: Clare, Glynis, Todd, Megan, Doris Kashmanian, Jean Thompson, Greg Hansen, Charlene, Fay Versteegh, Clare Westbury, Marjorie McCarthy Cairns, Brenda Hanna
- Those in Need Beyond Our Parish: Tim Westbury

Solo: "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

*Lord, dismiss us with your blessing;  
fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
let us each, your love possessing,  
triumph in redeeming grace;  
O refresh us, O refresh us,  
travelling through the wilderness.*

*Thanks we give and adoration  
for the gospel's joyful sound;  
may the fruits of your salvation  
in our hearts and lives abound;  
may your presence, may your presence,  
wish us evermore be found.*

Postlude: "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" – Arr: Franklin Ashdown

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The altar flowers have been given to the glory of Almighty God,  
remembering with much love Ann and Jim, Mary and Jack, from Paula and Brian.

Today is **Rev. Carmen's last service with us**. While we are sad to see her leave, we look forward to hearing news about her ongoing ministry. If you have not already done so, please contact Carmen to express your gratitude for her ministry here.

**Annual Meeting of Parishioners:** Our annual meeting of parishioners (AMP) will be on January 24, 2021. Please pray about whether you are called to serve on Parish Council in 2021. Are you currently the head of a ministry in the church? The time has come for you to begin writing up your report for the AMP booklet. Remember, the AMP booklet will be a lasting record of how ministry occurred during the pandemic, so this is a great opportunity for you to reflect on what ministry "looked like" at this time. Email your report by January 3, 2021 to [office@holycrosscalgary.org](mailto:office@holycrosscalgary.org) or to Donna Uncles at [uncles@telusplanet.net](mailto:uncles@telusplanet.net).

**The office will be closed from December 28 to January 4.** All donations for the current year must be received by January 4, 2021 and all cheques dated December 31, 2020 or prior.

**ACW church calendars are here.** We are even very blessed to have a picture in it this year taken by our very own David Peyto. If you are interested in getting a calendar, the cost will be the same as last year \$8.00; please contact Lisa Boulet at 403-399-2315 or email [holycrossacw@gmail.com](mailto:holycrossacw@gmail.com) and she will work out a way to get it to you.

**Zoom coffee hour:** Join Rev. Kyle on Sundays at 1:30 PM via for a virtual coffee via Zoom; click on: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89592882254?pwd=ZGJFRzdRWE5wclc4NENMZ0JlejJvZz09>. The passcode is 153910. To join with a landline, dial 587-328-1099; enter meeting ID: 895 9288 2254; enter #; you will be asked for your own ID – enter # to bypass this message; enter the passcode: 153910.

**Next Week's Readings – January 3 – The Epiphany of the Lord**

Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

**Assisting Today**

Doug Spreeman (Music Director); Mryka Hall-Beyer (Worship Assistant); The Rev. Dr. Kyle Norman (Intercessor); Julie Johnston (Soloist); Geraldine Cooke (Altar Guild); Jim Tubman (Videographer); CCLI Licence No. 11533778