

St. Cyprian's Anglican Church and Iona Presbyterian Church
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Sunday Worship by Zoom and in person 10:30 a.m.



**Epiphany 2,
January 18, 2026**

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Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands of the Mississauga. We acknowledge this territory's significance for the Indigenous peoples who lived, and continue to live, upon it and whose practices and spiritualities were tied to the land and continue to develop in relationship to the territory and its other inhabitants today.

January 18, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

Healing Service of the Word

Hymns are from *Common Praise*

Leader and Preacher: Rev. Dr. John Oakes

[This liturgy is taken from "A Service of the Word 1," in *Eucharistic Prayers, Services of the Word, and Night Prayer Supplementary to The Book of Alternative Services* (ABC Publishing, 2001)]

Welcome

The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn #291: *O Christ the Healer* (Tune: #7)

Leader: 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.

Leader: Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

All: **Most merciful God,**
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.

Leader: Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also, with you.**

The Collect of the Day

Leader: Let us pray. Almighty God, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1–9 – Marcus Berger

Reader: The first reading is taken from the first chapter of St. Paul's first Epistle to the Corinthians, beginning at the first verse.

1 Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, **2** To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ – their Lord and ours: **3** Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **4** I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. **5** For in him you have been enriched in every way – with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge – **6** God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. **7** Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. **8** He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. **9** God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 40:1–11

Leader: 1. I waited patiently upon the Lord;
he stooped to me and heard my cry.

People: 2. **He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay;**
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.

Leader: 3. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.

People: 4. **Happy are they who trust in the Lord!**
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.

Leader: 5. Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us!
there is none who can be compared with you.

People: 6. **Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!**
but they are more than I can count.

Leader: 7. In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure
(you have given me ears to hear you);

People: **8. Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, and so I said, “Behold, I come.**

Leader: 9. In the roll of the book it is written concerning me:
‘I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.’”

People: **10. I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know.**

Leader: 11. Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.

Leader: Let us pray. God our saviour, hear our prayer for all who suffer at the hands of others, and especially for those who suffer for the sake of justice. Raise and comfort them, and lead us all in the paths of loving service. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Gradual Hymn #712: *Alleluia* (Chorus x2)

Gospel Reading: John 1:29–42 – Hank Huang

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the first chapter of Saint John, beginning at the twenty-ninth verse.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

²⁹ The next day John saw Jesus coming towards him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰ This is the one I meant when I said, ‘A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’ ³¹ I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³² Then John gave this testimony: “I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. ³³ And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told

me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴ I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One." ³⁵ The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. ³⁶ When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!" ³⁷ When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. ³⁸ Turning round, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?" ³⁹ "Come," he replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon. ⁴⁰ Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. ⁴¹ The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). ⁴² And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter).

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gradual Hymn #712: *Alleluia* (Chorus x2)

Sermon: ""ELECTive and Effective Evangelism" by John Oakes

Songs of Response

Here I Am Lord

**1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them – whom shall I send?**

**Chorus: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me; I will hold Your people in my heart.**

**2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne My people's pain.
I have wept for love of them; they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My Word to them – whom shall I send?/Chorus**

**3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them; My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide,
Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give My life to them – whom shall I
send/Chorus**

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Be Still

**1. Be still for the presence of the Lord The Holy One is here
Come bow before Him now. With reverence and fear
In Him no sin is found. We stand on holy ground
Be still for the presence of the Lord. The Holy One is here**

**2. Be still for the glory of the Lord. Is shining all around
He burns with holy fire. With splendor He is crowned
How awesome is the sight Our radiant King of light
Be still for the glory of the Lord. Is shining all around**

**3. Be still for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place
He comes to cleanse and heal To minister His grace
No work too hard for Him In faith receive from Him
Be still for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place**

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Announcements

The Apostle's Creed

Leader: Let us confess our faith 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.

Healing Litany

Leader: Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers, including Diane, Edna, Judy, Margaret, Brenda and all others whom we name . . .

The People may audibly name those for whom they are interceding.

Leader: God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;

All: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;

All: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

All: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;

All: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world, especially in those countries torn apart by warfare and bitter conflict;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: You are the Lord who does wonders:

All: **You have declared your power among the peoples.**

Leader: With you, O Lord, is the well of life:

All: **And in your light we see light.**

Leader: Hear us, O Lord of life:

All: **Heal us, and make us whole.**

Leader: Let us pray.

A period of silence follows.

Almighty God, giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick, and upon those who minister to them, that all weakness may be vanquished by the triumph of the risen Christ; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Anyone who wishes brief individual prayer for healing or any other reason is invited to go to the prayer station in the Fellowship Room.

Offertory Anthem: “*O God beyond All Praising*” (Michael Perry)

Prayer over the Gifts

All: Living God, you have revealed your Son as the Messiah. May we hear his word and follow it, and live as children of light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer of St. John Chrysostom

Leader: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfill now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

Leader: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All: **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.**

Leader: 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 forever and ever, Amen.**

Blessing

Leader: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn #612: *Healer of Our Every Ill*

Dismissal

Leader: Alleluia! Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome!

Welcome to St. Cyprian's and Iona, as we continue our combined worship and ministry at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. After today's service, we invite everyone to join a joint fellowship time together **in the Iona space.**

New Sunday Study Series!

We begin an exciting new Sunday series, “**A Life Worth Living**,” in the Fellowship Room at noon today. A **free lunch** will be followed by a **video presentation on Philippians 1 by Nicky Gumbel** and a time for **small group discussions**. We aim to finish by 1:30 p.m. All welcome!

Noon Meditation

The Wednesday meditation meets with David Rudd and others at 12 noon on:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9321564941?pwd=QmhLdDZ6ekQ2a1FLMmRWK2tXU0F0Zz09>

Meeting ID: 932 156 4941

Passcode: 1080

Friday Zoom Bible Study

Rev. John's **weekly Zoom Bible Study, which meets on Fridays at 7 p.m., on Zoom continues our** series on "David: Developing a Heart for God". All are welcome to join at any time.

The link for the Zoom study is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8517044556>

Meeting ID: 851 704 4556

You can also join the meeting by phone on 647-374-4685 or 647-558-0588.

Pancake Supper

Save the date for **St Cyprian's Pancake Supper, Tuesday, February 17. Watch this space for further details.**

Ministry Opportunities

There are **ministry opportunities in a number of different areas, for which volunteers are welcome. To help, please contact Rev. John or one of the St. Cyprian's wardens or Iona elders.**

Happy Birthdays

Andrew Heyland	Jan 19
Alika Curtis Clarke	Jan 21 (2001)
Janet Mitchener	Jan 21
Dorine Bourque	Jan 22

**Happy birthday, Happy birthday, God loves you.
Happy birthday and may all your dreams come true.
When you blow out the candles, one light stays aglow
It's the love light of our Lord for all to know.**