

CATHEDRAL CONNECTIONS



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The Christ Church Cathedral Communications Committee would like to take this opportunity to extend best wishes to everyone for a blessed and joyful Christmas. The pandemic has done its best over the past months to change our “normal” lives, but our Church family has done its level best to adapt! Thanks to all who have shared stories with us, and thank you for reading our attempts to keep us connected through our website (www.cccath.ca), Facebook page, Caremongering group, and written publications!

Christmas will be different for sure, but our small gatherings and limited travel may give us additional time for reflection. Time, perhaps, to phone friends that we haven’t been in touch with for a while; time to get out into the great outdoors and enjoy the beauty of God’s creation; time to catch up on some reading; time to do some baking to drop off at shelters or on someone’s doorstep; time to enjoy family game nights; time for all the truly meaningful things that often get lost in the hustle and bustle that has come to surround the celebration of the Birth of Christ.

We hope that you will enjoy this gift of time and that we will all enter the New Year feeling refreshed and encouraged that a way forward is coming!

Blue Christmas

This year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many of us are feeling “blue”. On Monday evening, the 21st of December at 7:00 p.m., a *Blue Christmas* service will be held at the Cathedral. This service of music and prayer acknowledges that Christmas is not always easy for folks, especially those who are lonely, bereaved, perhaps battling physical or mental illness, or in any way struggling. It’s an opportunity for those people and those who support them to worship together in a way that addresses their needs and their challenges and embraces them with the comfort of God’s love. We encourage you to attend and to help spread the message to others who may find solace in this service. All are welcome! [Learn more about Blue Christmas on our website.](#)



Don't Forget to Register for Christmas Celebrations!



Our limited capacity due to COVID-19 distancing requirements makes it absolutely vital that you pre-register if you plan on attending Christmas Eve worship. Services will be held at 4:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. If you plan to attend, you must reserve in advance through Cathedral Signups on our [website](#) or phone Kirsten at the Cathedral office between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, Monday to Friday (506) 450-8500. **If your plans change, even at the last minute, please remember to remove your reservation to free up spaces for others to attend.**



Christmas Eve Worship

4:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist (contemporary)
8:00 p.m. Come Worship Eucharist
11:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist (traditional)

Christmas Day Worship

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (traditional)

Space is limited. Reserve at cccath.ca

The worship service at 8:00 p.m. will be live streamed and recorded.



All the best!

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