



Scripture: Matthew 2:3 “When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him...”

## announcements



### Welcome to CapChurch!

We are a community faithfully seeking God's shalom (flourishing and wholeness) in every sphere of life with passion for Christ and compassion for neighbour. We hope you find a warm welcome today—both from our good God, and from us.



### CapChurch Finance Update!

THANK YOU! With 2 weeks left in the year we are getting closer and closer to making it into the black for 2017. As of December 11th, not including regular giving, we are within \$17,500 of our \$480,000 budget. Thank you to those who have made special gifts in the last while. And for those still considering additional giving, if you would like, please feel free to connect with Cathy at [cathy@capchurch.ca](mailto:cathy@capchurch.ca) or 604.987.8695) or myself (bmilley@shaw.ca or 604.644.5616) should you have any questions. Please note, all donations received by Dec. 31st will receive a 2017 charitable tax receipt. All the best, Bryson Milley, Chair - Finance Committee



### Christmas Season @Cap

**December 24, Christmas Eve:** Next Sunday morning, 10 am, join us for apple cider, carols and an interactive, multi-generational retelling of the Christmas story.

**December 31, New Year's Eve:** Our last service of the year will be intimate and interactive. Come prepared to share with each other your experience of Gladvent 2017, and also to receive a “Star Gift”—a word to guide your way into this new year. (Kim Pierrot)



### All I want for Christmas...

Just a reminder as you wonder what to get those folks on your Christmas list who have everything, Food for the Hungry's Gift Guide has all kinds of items you can purchase on their behalf which benefit our friends in Uganda. Please go online at [www.fhcanada.org/gift-guide/](http://www.fhcanada.org/gift-guide/)

## considerations



### “Gladvent Challenge.”

We are in the final days of our 35 days of gratitude. How has this practice helped you? Changed you? Formed Christ in you? We will invite you to share a bit about your experience on December 31--our final worship service of 2017. If you are not sure you will be attending but would like to share some reflections, feel free to email them to [kim@capchurch.ca](mailto:kim@capchurch.ca) and she will read them aloud that morning.



THANK YOU! How does CapChurch do Ham on the Run Christmas Luncheons? With amazing hosts and awesome guests! A huge thank you to everyone who opened their homes, provided food, joined in and celebrated life together. We are grateful that this tradition has once again put smiles on faces, food in tummies and strengthened our church. (Lynda Shaw)



### Youth Fundraiser for FH

Our Grade 4-9's spent last Sunday morning cutting out pieces of coloured felt and glueing them together strategically to create super cute animal ornaments for the Christmas tree... BUT, thanks to “Food For the Hungry”, the real hope is that we will take these ornaments and sell them so that real life animals can be purchased as gifts for families most at need. In particular, we made 3 separate ornaments, each representing the exact gift we will be purchasing through the FH Gift Guide from what we've raised. We made: 1. A Chicken; 2. A Pig; 3. A 'Pile of Poo" (which, I promise you, the FH catalog says is a BEST SELLER!).

This week we are selling them after church for a suggested minimum donation of \$5, so please bring some extra cash if you can and help us sell them out! It's great to know that despite being so far away geographically, we really still can affect other peoples lives across the world, in a good way! Feel free to have a look at the full FH catalog here as well to learn more if you are so keen! [www.fh.org/gift-catalog/](http://www.fh.org/gift-catalog/). [Shaun Huberts]



calendar

events

- Today **This Sunday Kim Pierrot will be speaking from Matthew 2:1-18**
- Today Youth are selling ornaments for Food For the Hungry project
- Break **Coffee Break for CapWomen: (Resume in January)** Wednesday mornings at 9:15. Contact [Julie](#) Evans or [Cindy](#) Gleeson.
- Break **MomLife: (Resume in January)** Fridays at 9:15am. Contact Shelley MacDonald-Lin at [shelley@capchurch.ca](mailto:shelley@capchurch.ca) for more info
- Dec 24 **Christmas Eve Morning Service: 10:00am** (see inside for details)
- To Jan 2 **Dundarave Festival of Lights and Nativity Scene Display:** open continuously with concerts on Saturday afternoons
- Jan 27 **Making Peace with Creation: Film Showing at Missions Fest:** 1:00PM - 2:00 PM
- Apr. 7-8 **Men's Cap Retreat at Barnabas next year is only 5 months away. MEN — SAVE THE DATE**

**Connecting with Us:**

~ You can always find Cap online, listen to sermons, get contact info on our leaders and happenings at [www.capchurch.ca](http://www.capchurch.ca), or check us out on Facebook at <http://facebook.com/capchurch>

~ **FIRST-TIMERS/NEWCOMERS** - If you are new to CapChurch or visiting, would you take a minute to fill out a blue visitors card from the Welcome Table and leave it with us. You'll will receive a welcome letter and a coupon for a specialty coffee of your choice!

~ **OFFERING ENVELOPES**—For those wishing to give their offering in an envelope, you will find envelopes next to the Offering Box on the table at the back of the room by the main theatre entrance.

capchurch leadership team

**Pastoral Team**

Kim Pierrot | lead pastor & elder  
 Rod Wilson | teaching & preaching  
 John Colpitts | young people  
 Jamie Munday | community development  
 Shelley MacDonald-Lin | worship, spiritual formation  
 Lynda Shaw | administrative support

**Support Staff**

Allison Grice | kids ministry director  
 Katrina Nadworny | kids ministry assistant  
 Isa Purcell | youth ministry intern  
 Shaun Huberts | youth ministry associate  
 Suzanne Paterson | sunday hospitality coordinator  
 Cathy Adams | bookkeeper

Jake Penner | elder emeritus  
 Brian Dean | elder (apprentice)  
 Lynne Smith | elder  
 Andrea Smith | elder  
 Dan Thomson | elder (apprentice)  
 David Zimmerman | elder, chair  
 Bryson Milley | finance chair  
 Archie Robertson, Lynn Perez, Andrea Smith | Nashisa team  
 Lynn Perez | missions team chair  
 Andrew Chong | worship music coordinator  
 Becca Birkner | worship music coordinator



Artist: Leon Coginet

Today's message

**God With Us: Herod's "No"**

It's unexpected, it's subversive, it's astonishing. Our all-powerful, all-knowing God chooses to inaugurate His kingdom by coming down from heaven to dwell among us in the finiteness and frailty of human flesh. In the words of Dan Allender, "(Jesus') arrival is an invasion, not a merry Christmas." As Jesus "invades" the lives of familiar characters in the Christmas story, we see how unsettling and how revolutionary God-With-Us actually is. Even today, Jesus invites us to be transformed and mobilized by the unexpectedly good news of God-With-Us. (Kim Pierrot)

This Sunday at a glance

**THIS SUNDAY MORNING**, Kim Pierrot will be speaking on "God With Us: Herod's "No." Andrew Chong & Team will lead us in worship.

**YOUNG PEOPLE** are released part way through the service to their classrooms upstairs. We look forward to welcoming you into one of the following groups:

- LITTLES | 0-2 Year Olds
- ZOO | 3-5 Year Olds
- FRESH | Grades 1-3
- T.B.A. | Grades 4-6
- JR YOUTH | Grades 7-9

SR YOUTH [Grades 10-12] are invited to participate in the main service, or to speak to Allison or John about helping with one of the younger age groups.

For more info, or to be added to our young people's distribution lists, please contact:  
[allison@capchurch.ca](mailto:allison@capchurch.ca) (CapKids)  
[john@capchurch.ca](mailto:john@capchurch.ca) (CapYouth)