

Church of the Advent

Anglican Christian Witness on Victoria's Westshore

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***Together in Christ we seek to love God
and to love and serve all others***

The Right Rev Dr. Logan McMenamie, Bishop

The Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover

January 8 2017

EPIPHANY



Sunday Services are at 8:30 a.m. (Traditional Rite)

10:00 a.m.(Contemporary)

Office Hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:00-Noon

Holy Communion on **Wednesdays** at 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

If you are a newcomer, please identify yourself to the Sidespersons or priest so we can welcome you and tell you about our church.

We recognize that we worship on the traditional lands of Coast and Straits Salish peoples. We commit ourselves to continue with our First Nations neighbours on the journey of healing, truth and reconciliation.

The Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover preaches and presides today

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion
Book of Common Prayer, p. 67

Ephesians 3:1-12

Matthew 2:1-12

Administrator

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Book of Alternative Services, p. 185

Our Guest musician today is David Enns

Liturgical Assistant is Jim Hamar

Sides person is Liz Garland

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

Prelude by Parish Choir: **Bright and Morning Star** by Ray Makeever

Sentence of the day: We have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him.

Gathering Hymn **Lord , Today We Have Seen Your Glory**

Refrain:

Lord, today we have seen your glory, dawn follows the night.

We, your people who walked in darkness now have seen a great light.

A child is born, a Son given us, on him dominion shall rest.

His name shall be Wonderful God, Counselor, Prince of Peace. **Refrain:**

The Lord is king, the nations rejoice, let all God's people be glad.

The heavens proclaim justice for all. Glory has filled the land. **Refrain:**

O Bethlehem, you are from of old, too small among Judah's clans.
From you shall come a ruler this day, shepherd to guide the land. **Refrain:**

New light has dawned upon all the just, gladness for upright of heart.
Rejoice in the Lord, you faithful ones. Give thanks to God's great name. **Refrain:**
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Welcome

The Greeting:

O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

The Magi who study the heavens follow a guiding star!

O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

The peoples who live in the shadows see a glorious light!

O come, let us worship the Lord,
for God has done wondrous things!

Hymn: I am the Light of the World

Refrain: "I am the light of the world!

You people come and follow me!"

**If you follow and love, you'll learn the mystery
of what you were meant to do and be.**

When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and the shepherds have found their way home,
the work of Christmas is begun: **Refrain:**

To find the lost and lonely one,
to heal that broken soul with love,
to feed the hungry children with warmth and good food,
to feel the earth below the sky above! **Refrain:**

To free the prisoner from his chains,
to make the powerful care,

to rebuild the nations with strength of good will,
to see God's children ev'rywhere! **Refrain:**

To bring hope to ev'ry task you do,
to dance at a baby's new birth,
to make music in an old person's heart,
and sing to the colours of the earth! **Refrain:**

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Collect of the Day: 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

PROCLAMATION

Childrens Ministry time:

Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Lydia French
p. 797

Psalm: 72:1-7, 10-14

Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12

Barb Gossman

Gospel Hymn **CP151 All Poor Folk and Humble** Vs 1 before the Gospel
Vs 2 following the Gospel

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Joan Hoffman

Sermon

The Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Apostles Creed

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Prayers of the People

Sue Hamblin

Confession and Absolution

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The Peace

Congregation

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn **CP 150 ON This Day Earth Shall Ring**

Prayer over the Gifts: 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.**

Eucharistic Prayer 3

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Sanctus: from Carol Mass

arr. by Rupert Lang

The Lord's Prayer

Gordon Light

Communion Distributors: Linda Cue & Mike Armstrong

*During communion the Parish choir sings: **Wandering Kings** by Andrew Carter*

Prayer after Communion: 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.**

Doxology

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SENDING FORTH

Blessing

Announcements:

The Wardens

Commissioning Hymn: **CP 153 Good Christians All, Rejoice**

COMMISSIONING

One: Go now as a light to the nations. Honour the Lord; preach what you know of the risen Christ, and fulfil all righteousness.

All: We Go in Peace to love and serve all of God's creation. Amen. Alleluia. creation. Amen. Alleluia.

TODAY WE PRAY

Kuching - (South East Asia) The Rt Revd Bolly Lapok Assistant Bishop of

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For Fred our Primate, Logan, our Bishop, John, our Metropolitan and Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover and her family.

For the Parish of Pender & Saturna Islands – Ellen Willingham.

For the Diocese of Caledonia - Bishop William Anderson.

In the Selkirk Region for ourselves here at Church of the Advent.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

Seymour, Maureen, Brad and Tytti, Brenda, Michelle, Mollie, Alberta, Elmer N.

COMING EVENTS:

WHAT SEW EVER: Tuesday mornings 10:00 a.m.

CHOIR PRACTICE: Wednesday nights 7:30 p.m.

CENTERING PRAYER: Saturday morning 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel

YES WE CAN - 3rd Wednesday of the month.

BOOK CLUB – Will be meeting the second Tuesday of the month in the Chapel. Next meeting will be Jan. 10th.

WE HAVE A FLOWER CALENDAR on the door of the Sacristy if you wish to have flowers in memory of a loved one or a special event during the year please put your name on the appropriate line OR talk to one of our members on the Altar Guild. Thank you!

YOUR ENVELOPES are ready to be picked up. They are on the table just outside double doors of the main Sanctuary.

PAINT-IN FUNDRAISER BY THE WESTSHORE REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP

GROUP: The first sessions, using acrylics to paint a view from a photo of Mount Baldy, will be this Tuesday, January 10, 2017 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm or this Friday, January 13, 2017, from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm. (Each session is given twice – once on a Tuesday morning and once on Friday evening, to give participants a choice of day and time that works best for them.) Paint-Ins on February 7 and 10 will use watercolours and on March 7 and 10 will use mixed media.

Please see posters and registration forms on the entranceway table for full information about these sessions. The fee for each class is \$50. Contact Bill Van Sickle at bill@wrsrg.ca or 778 265 5347 if you have any questions. Hope to see you at one or more sessions!



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WE WANT TO KNOW YOU ... but we need to be able to contact you, so ...

If you are a newcomer, or if we can help in any way, please let us know. Please fill in the relevant information and give it to a Sidesperson or place it on the collection plate. **Completion of the following information indicates your consent for this parish to gather this information and to use it for reasonable purposes of the church under The Privacy of Information Act.**

NEWCOMER	CHANGE OF ADDRESS	COURSE INFORMATION
HELP	SETUP CONTRIBUTIONS	YOUTH CONNECTION

Name	
Address	Postal Code
Email	Phone

*The Church of the Advent is now a NO SMOKING environment.
Thanks for your cooperation. We also ask congregants to limit
the use of fragrances. THANK YOU!*