

# 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, Rector*

**FEBRUARY 12 2017**

**PROPER 6**



**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  
**Celtic Eucharist and Gospel Discussion** 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 presides and preaches today.*

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

*1 Corinthians 3:1-9*

*Matthew 5:21-37*

*Administrator:*

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

*Liturgical Assistant is Sheila Dearsley*

*Sidesperson is Joan Hoffman*

## **THE COMMUNITY GATHERS**

Leader: As we meet together, we begin by remembering the people of the Coast and Straits Salish People, on whose traditional land we now gather in gratitude. We acknowledge their story and their stewardship of the land and water, the plants and animals, through the many generations. As we meet together, we remember those who have called this place their home in recent years—the community of faith known as Church of the Advent, whose joyful spirit embraces us. Now let us greet one another with words and signs of welcome.

**Sentence of the day:** Blessed is our Father, Lord of heaven and earth, who has revealed these things to the simple.

Gathering Hymn **CP 2 When Morning Gilds the Skies** \*omit verse 5

## WELCOME

### The Greeting:

Happy are those who walk in God's ways.

**Blessed are those who observe God's commandments.**

Faithful are those whose eyes are fixed on righteousness.

**Joyful are those whose hearts are filled with praise.**

Come, let us love the Lord our God.

**We come to worship the One who leads us in the ways of life.**

**Glory To God: Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest;**

**Glory to God, Glory to God and on earth peace to people of good will**

Everyone sings the refrain; choir sings verses From the Mass of Simplicity by

Julie Hoy

**Collect of the Day:** Divine Gardener,

**you give growth to our seeds and raise to abundant life that which seems dead. Teach us to choose blessing and life, so that we may walk blamelessly, seeking you through reconciliation with all your children.**

**Amen**

### PROCLAMATION

Childrens Ministry time: Children's Time Song: **Jesus in the Morning**

~African American folk song~

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus in the morning,

Jesus in the noontime;

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus when the sun goes down!

Praise him, Praise him, Praise him in the morning,

Praise him in the noontime;

Praise him, Praise him, Praise him when the sun goes down!

Love him, Love him, Love him in the morning,

Love him in the noontime;

Love him, Love him, Love him when the sun goes down!

Serve him, Serve him, Serve him in the morning,

Serve him in the noontime;

Serve him, Serve him, Serve him when the sun goes down!

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus in the morning,

Jesus in the noontime;

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus when the sun goes down!

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Bonnie Stuart

**Psalm 119:1-8**

p. 868

Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Barbara Thomson

Gospel Hymn **CP 610 Before I Take the Body of My Lord**

Verses 1 & 2 before the Gospel & Verses 3, 4, & 5 following the Gospel

Gospel: Matthew 5:21-37

Donna Brandle

Sermon

Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Prayers of the People

Sue Hamblin

The Peace

Congregation

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn **ALL ARE WELCOME**

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

**All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,

where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;  
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

**All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine, and wheat:  
a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;  
as we share in Christ the feast that free us:

**All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard  
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.

Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace,  
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

**All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

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Prayer over the Gifts: Eternal God, **you are the strength of the weak  
and the comfort of sufferers, receive all we offer you this day;  
turn our sickness into health and our sorrow into joy.**  
**We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer 1 p. 193

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.** From the “Mass of Simplicity” by Julie Hoy

The Lord’s Prayer Gordon Light

Fraction: #6 p. 213

**Invitation to Communion:** Friends, this is the joyful feast of unity. Christ has gathered his people around the earth to commune at this table. And so, come: you from the East and you from the West, from the North and from the South. Come. Come with your doubts, come with your hopes, come with your inadequacies and with your strengths. Come, for this is a table where all are invited and all are welcome.

Communion Distributors: **Lorne Dearsley & Lydia French**

*The Parish Choir sings during Communion*

Prayer after Communion: God of tender care,  
**in this Eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people.**  
**May we show your love in our lives and know its fulfilment in your presence.**  
**We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord Amen**

Doxology p. 214

### SENDING FORTH

Blessing

Announcements

**The Wardens**

Commissioning Hymn: **CP 86 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling** Hyfrydol  
**COMMISSIONING**

One: Go now, with God's love,  
**we will choose to be a blessing to others.**

Go now, with Christ's hope,  
**we will choose to serve all in need.**

Go now, with the Spirit's peace,  
**we will choose to share life in every moment. Amen. Alleluia.**

**TODAY WE PRAY**

*Lusaka - (Central Africa) The Rt Revd David Njovu.*

*For Fred our Primate, John our Metropolitan, Logan our Bishop and  
Sandra our Rector.*

*Diocese of Caledonia - Bishop William Anderson.  
S. Mark, Qualicum Beach - Susan Hayward-Brown.  
In the Selkirk Region for St. Peter (Lakehill).*

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM**

*Seymour, Val, Maureen, Brad and Tytti, Brenda, Mollie, Elmer, Peter,  
Dianne.*

**Please join us for coffee, tea, or juice after the service. Maybe we can  
even find a cookie or two!**

**COMING EVENTS:**

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

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

**YES WE CAN :** The group meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month.

**BOOK CLUB :** Meets the second Tuesday of the month in the Chapel.

**POLICE CHORUS CONCERT:** March 12<sup>th</sup> 2017 2:00 p.m. Tickets on sale  
now!

**FOOD FOOD AND MORE FOOD**

**PLEASE REMEMBER** there will **NOT** be a Community lunch in February.  
There will however be...**SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE LUNCH** Feb. 28 – 12  
noon to 1 p.m. Adults \$6.00.

**HOME BAKING:** donations of baked goods for the bake table would be much appreciated.

**HELPERS:** If you can spare some time, please come out and help either of these wonderful group of people. Help is always welcome.

**ALSO** – The men’s breakfast group will be undertaking the **SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER** as in the past several years! Please come out and enjoy dinner 5 to 6 p.m. Prices are the same as lunch with a FAMILY rate of \$15. Please support the Men’s Breakfast team who are preparing this great supper.

**OUR AGM:** Our Annual General meeting will take place February 19<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30 service.

**NEW CHURCH OF THE ADVENT NAMETAGS AVAILABLE!**

These nametags are made of a light brass, laser engraved with a magnetic backing so that it will not damage your Sunday finery. The cost is \$8.50 plus \$2.00 for the magnetic back. If I order them in batches of 12 or more then it is \$7.00 plus \$2.00 for the magnetic back for a total of \$9.00 + tax which will be \$10.00. If you are interested, or would like more information, please see Mike Armstrong after church or email me at [spike39@shaw.ca](mailto:spike39@shaw.ca) and put Nametag in the subject line.



**TAX RECEIPTS:** Due to technical difficulties, we are having problems printing your receipts. We hope to have them out by February 19<sup>th</sup> (Our AGM). Please bear with us while we work out some bugs. Thank you all for your patience and understanding.

**TOMORROW IS BC FAMILY DAY.** The Office will be closed and reopen Tuesday at 9:00.

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Prayer Line	The Office (office hours)	250-474-3031

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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.**

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