

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***

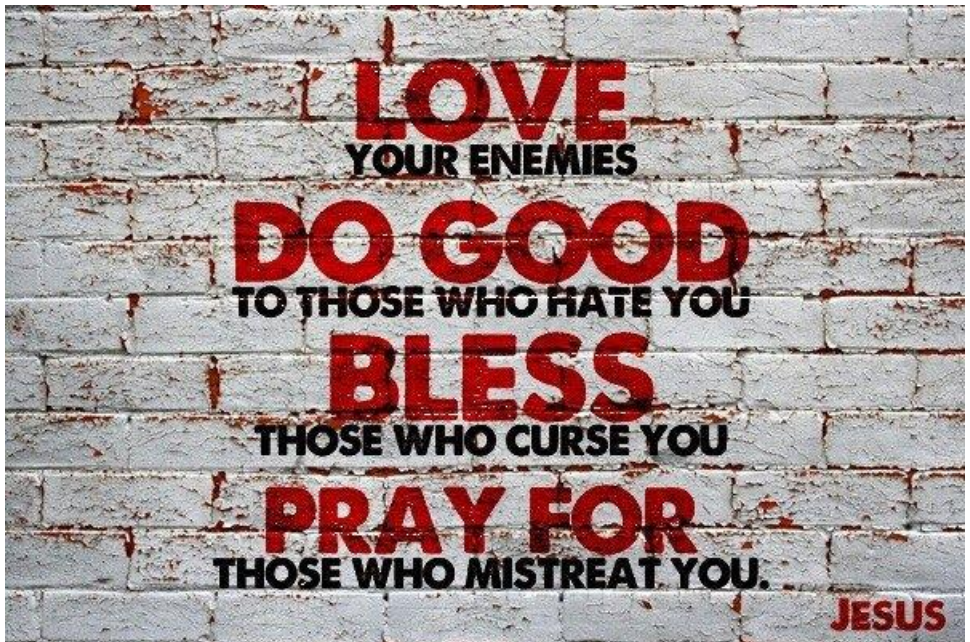
The Right Rev Dr. Logan McMenamie, Bishop

The Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover, Rector

FEBRUARY 19 2017

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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 preaches and presides today.

**9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
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Liturgical Assistant is Jim Hamar

Sidesperson is Jose Perena Pratt

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: Whoever keeps the word of Christ grows perfect in love for God.

Gathering Hymn **CP 9 Today I Awake**

Welcome

The Greeting:

Teach us, O Lord, all of your ways,

And we will follow You until the end.

Give me understanding, that we may keep your covenant,

And trust it with our whole heart.

Lead us in the path of your commandments,

For we find joy in following You.

Turn our hearts to your decrees,

And away from selfish gain.

In this time of worship, lead us to draw closer to You.

May we love You and love our neighbors as ourselves.

Open our hearts and minds to You in this time of worship. Amen

Hymn: Knowing You By Graham Kendrick

All I once held dear, built my life upon,
all this world reveres, and wars to own,
all I once thought gain I have counted loss;
spent and worthless now, compared to this.

Chorus

**Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You,
there is no greater thing.**

**You're my all, You're the best,
You're my joy, my righteousness,
and I love You, Lord.**

Now my heart's desire is to know you more
To be found by you, and known as yours,
To possess by faith what I could not earn;
All surpassing gift of righteousness. **Chorus**

Oh to know the power of your risen life,
And to know you in your sufferings,
To become like you in your death my Lord;
So with you to live, and never die **Chorus**

Words and music: Graham Kendrick (b. 1950)© 1993 Make Way Music CCLI #11159154

Collect of the Day: O God most holy,
in Jesus Christ you have laid a foundation upon which to build our lives.
Help us to follow your perfect law of love, so that we may fulfill and
observe it to the end. Amen

PROCLAMATION

Childrens Ministry time

Children's Time Song: Jesus Loves Me This I Know

Jesus loves me, this I know,
for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong;
they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain:

**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

Jesus loves me he who died
heaven's gate to open wide.
He will wash away my sin,
let his little child come in.

Refrain:

**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

Reading Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

Sheila Bull

Psalm 119:33-40

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Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23

Colleen Lissamer

Gospel Hymn **CP 494 Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels**

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

Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

Mike Armstrong

Sermon

Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Apostles Creed

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Prayers of the People

Sheila Dearsley

Confession

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The Peace

Congregation

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn **CP 435 Take My Life, and Let It Be**

Prayer over the Gifts:

Merciful God, **accept all we offer you this day. Lead us to love you with all our heart, and to love all people with your perfect love. We ask this**

in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 1

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Holy, Holy, Holy Lord
The Lord's Prayer

Mass of Simplicity By Julie Hoy
Gordon Light

Fraction: #6

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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: **Bill Bull & Lorne Dearsley**

During communion the Parish choir sings: **10,000 Reasons**

Words and Music by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

Prayer after Communion:

Gracious God, **in the Eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people. Grant that strengthened by these holy gifts, we may show your love in our lives, and know its fulfilment in your presence. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Doxology

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SENDING FORTH

Blessing

Announcements

The Wardens

Commissioning Hymn: **They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love**

by Peter Scholtes

We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord,
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored
**And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
And they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand,
We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand,

And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land, **Refrain**

We will work with each other, We will work side by side,
We will work with each other, We will work side by side,
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride. **Refrain**

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TODAY WE PRAY

*Mahajanga - (Indian Ocean) The Rt Revd Jean Claude Andrianjafimanana.
For Fred our Primate, John our Metropolitan, Logan our Bishop, and
Sandra our Rector.*

*For the Diocese of Kootenay - Archbishop John Privett.
For the Congregation of S. Peter & S. Paul, Esquimalt - Lon Towstego &
Wally Eamer.*

*In the Selkirk Region for Regional chaplaincies in Hospital (Peter Shurvin,
Karen Wilson.)*

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

Seymour, Val, Maureen, Brad and Tytti, Brenda, Elmer, Peter

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 3rd Wednesday of the month.

BOOK CLUB -Meets the second Tuesday of the month in the Chapel.

POLICE CHORUS CONCERT: March 12th 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.

LAST CALL : 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 and put Nametag in the subject line.



INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

Wescom Medilend is a community based nonprofit society dedicated to loaning medical equipment to citizens of the west-shore area of Victoria for temporary use after operations etc. It is staffed by volunteers who work 2 1/2 hour shifts between 10AM and 3PM Monday thru Friday. Occasionally we need new volunteers and it is possible we will require help in the near future. If you think this might be suitable for you, please phone John French at 250 478 4564 or email me at chezfrogbc@gmail.com and I will set up a meeting with our Coordinator at the Medilend office which is in the grounds of the Priory on Goldstream.

DIRECTORY

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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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THANK YOU!