

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

May 7 2017

Battle of Atlantic and 4th Sunday of Easter



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 Reverend John Hounsell-Drover preaches and The Reverend Sandra Hounsell- Drover presides today.

<p>8:30 a.m. Holy Communion Book of Common Prayer, p. 67</p>
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Acts 2:2:42-47

Psalm 23 pg 356

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

Administrator

Elizabeth Bennett

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Sheila Bull

Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Bill Bull

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

Liturgical Assistant is

Crucifer & Acolyte is Peter Hounsell-Drover

Sidespeople are Dianne Langdon & Mike Armstrong

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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: I am the good shepherd, says the Lord: I know my own and my own know me.

Opening Hymn: **CP 330 O Praise Ye the Lord**

The Greeting:

Day by day, God leads us:

to the deep, deep pools of peace, and to the green, lush lawns of grace.

Day by day, Jesus calls us:

to pour out ourselves in service, and to anoint the stranger with hope.

Day by day, the Holy Spirit shows us:

the community we could be, and the family we are called to become.

Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest
and peace to His people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High.
Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit
in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Amen.

Collect of the Day

O God,
**whose Son is the good shepherd,
send us out as shepherds to seek the lost,**

to heal the injured and to nurture all with grace and compassion;
through Jesus, who calls each by name. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Childrens Ministry Time:

Childrens Hymn: 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:**

Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Mary Wills

The Lord's my Shepherd by Stuart Townend

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
His goodness restores my soul.

**Refrain: And I will trust in You alone,
And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.**

He guides my ways in righteousness,
And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights. **Refrain:**

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know. **Refrain:**

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Reading: 1 Peter 2:19-25

Bonnie Stuart

Gradual Hymn : CP 457 Alleluia! Glory to God

Vss. 1,2, & 3 before the Gospel, Vss. 4 & 5 after the Gospel

Gospel: John 10: 1-10

Mike Armstrong

The Sermon

The Reverend Lt (N)John Hounsell-Drover

Act of Remembrance for Battle of Atlantic Sunday

A Brief History

CP 659 Oh Canada 1 Vs English 1 Vs French

Prayer for the Canadian Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our Canadian armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Ship Names and Tolling of the Bell - Al Wills & Mike Armstrong

A Prayer for Peace

Almighty God from whom true peace comes, open our minds and hearts to a true love of peace. Guide those who are in authority to listen well to your wisdom, to work only for justice and charity, which is the only true path to peace in the world. May your kingdom come so that the earth will be filled with your knowledge and your love (and) your peace. **Amen.**

A Prayer for the Air Force

Almighty God, whose loving care encompasses even the sparrow in its flight, guide and protect, we pray, all those who fly the uncharted spaces of the sky. Bless those who, through service in the Air Force, stand guard

over the sacred trust of home and country. Endow them with wisdom and understanding that they may clearly see the path of duty and courageously devote themselves in service to the nation they love. In the solitude of flight, may the beauty of your greatness be revealed to them, that they may pattern their lives in accordance with your will. Extend your strengthening presence to those who wait at home, and may they ever know your watchful care will keep safe their absent ones. Let your blessing be upon us, O God, we pray. Lead us to carry on the trust left to us by those who have given with honour their lives in service of their country. May we find peace in the knowledge of our mission accomplished and their task completed, united forever in faithful service. **Amen.**

The Naval Prayer

O Eternal Lord God, who alone spreadest out the heavens and rulest the raging of the seas; who has compassed the waters with bounds until day and night come to an end; be pleased to receive into Thy Almighty and Most Gracious protection the persons of us Thy servants, and the fleet in which we serve. Preserve us from the dangers of the sea and from the violence of the enemy, that we may be a safeguard unto our most Gracious Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth, and her Dominions, and a security for such as pass on the seas upon their lawful occasions; that the inhabitants of the commonwealth may in peace and quietness serve Thee our God, and that we may return safely to enjoy the Blessings of the Land, with the Fruits of our Labours, and with a Thankful Remembrance of Thy mercies to Praise and Glorify Thy Holy Name. **Amen.**

Hymn of Honor: CP 567 “Eternal Father Strong to Save”

Prayers of the People

Kathy Middleton

Peace

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: SFGP 63 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain

**Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound!
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pass the Word around: loaves abound!**

Christ is able to make us one,
at the table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless,
love in word and in deed express. **Refrain**

Jesus calls us in, sends us out,
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere! **Refrain**

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Prayer over the Gifts

God of loving care,
**you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to
drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour
and our shepherd. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 1

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Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

by Rupert Lang

Lord's Prayer

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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: **Lydia French, Lorne Dearsley**

Parish Choir sings at Communion: **Shepherd of My Heart** by Francis Patrick O'Brien

Prayer after Communion:

God of steadfast love,

watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son.

May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

Doxology: Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

Blessing:

Announcements:

Commissioning Hymn: CP 598 Go to the World

Commissioning:

Go now with your trust in the good shepherd, and let us love, not just in words, but in truth and action. Believe in the name of Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as he has commanded us.

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Amen. Alleluia!

Please join us today for coffee, tea, or juice after the service, maybe even a cookie or two!

TODAY WE PRAY

Ndokwa - (Bendel, Nigeria) The Rt Revd David Obiosa.

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

Diocese of New Westminster - Bishop Melissa Skelton.

*S. Columba, Pt. Hardy & S. John, Pt. Alice - Alastair Hunting.
In the Selkirk Region for Regional chaplaincies in Hospital (Peter Shurvin,
Karen Wilson.)*

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

*Barb & Doug, Val, Maureen, Brad and Tytti, Brenda, Elmer, Peter, Kiera,
Ellen, Dave.*

SHARED MINISTRY

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, May 9 - Whatsewver 10:00; Wardens meeting 6:00 pm

Wednesday, May 10 - Mid-week Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.; Choir 7:30 pm

Friday, May 12 Office closed, Rev. Sandra's day off.

Saturday, May 13 – Mens Breakfast; **“A Festive Evening” 7:00 p.m. See below**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

May 14: Mothers Day; Diocesan Communication Officer Catherine Pate will be with us.

May 24: Regional meeting for Synod at St Peter & St Pau Esquimalt 5:00 pm

May 27: Messy Church 10:30 – 12:30 All Children Welcome

June 4: Pentecost Sunday & Intergenerational Service; wear Red, Yellow or Orange to celebrate the Holy Spirit!

June 10: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Strawberry Tea & Craft Fair

July 7 to 14: Parish Camp Out – Parksville

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Acts 7:55-60; Ps 31:1-5,15-16; 1 Peter: 2:2-10; John: 14:1-14

FROM THE RECTORS DESK:

Thank you to everyone who helped make the garage sale a success. Thank you to the people who helped unpack boxes, load tables, sell, cook, move furniture and all the various sundry things that needed to happen. It would be impossible to thank by name everyone who helped but from where I observed the comings and goings this past week I would like to offer two specific notes of thanks. ***A huge thank you to***

Mary Wills. Saying thank you is not even enough. Not only was Mary the co-ordinator and spearhead of the garage sale but she worked tirelessly everyday setting up the space for the sale. She was here at the Church early in the morning to late in the evening. Also, **thank you to Ed Robinson** who not only helped move boxes and goods from the garage and upstairs and around the church property but Ed volunteered to pick up items to be donated and then delivered some physically large items to people's homes. He was here very early every morning doing whatever needed to be done.

Thank you all. Well done!

On the readings:

"To become a good shepherd is to come out of the shell of selfishness in order to be attentive to those for whom we are responsible so as to reveal to them their fundamental beauty and value and help them to grow and become fully alive." -Jean Vanier; *Drawn into the Mystery of Jesus through the Gospel of John*

"I am the breeze that nurtures all things green. I encourage blossoms to flourish with ripening fruits. I am the rain coming from the dew that causes the grasses to laugh with the joy of life." - *Hildegard of Bingen, 12th century mystic (Matthew Fox, in The Feminine Mystic)*

"A FESTIVE EVENING": Saturday, May 13th, at 7 pm in the church hall, featuring silent and live auctions. We are looking for donations for the auctions such as special desserts, services that you can provide and/or interesting, good quality items. Please contact Mary Wills or Joan Hoffman if you have items. Tickets for the evening are \$8.00, NOW AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE, which includes appetizers, tea, coffee, punch and lots of fun! Wine and beer will also be available for sale. Proceeds from the evening will help support the Westshore Refugee Sponsorship Group as it prepares to welcome and support a family of five this fall. Come and bring your friends for a great evening!

CONFIRMATION!!!

In September we will start our Confirmation preparation time with Diocesan Bishop Logan McMenamie coming for Confirmation Sunday on December 3. Before we get to the Confirmation preparation time we need a pre-preparation meeting. If you will be 11 years or older by December 31, 2017 and are interested in the Sacrament of Confirmation you are invited to our pre meeting on May 28 following our worship time. This meeting will allow me to identify interest and to discuss the parameters of Confirmation, timings etc... Bring your questions and interest to the pre-meeting. See you then.

THE LADIES GUILD: voted at the April 12th meeting to give \$300 to our local Food Bank and \$500 to a Catholic charity in Peru which is helping residents of a remote village to recover from devastating rains and floods by supplying metal roofs for their homes. The Guild wants to thank all church members for your ongoing support of the work of the Guild, including the monthly lunches.

FOOD BANK – THE CUPBOARDS ARE BARE! – Please support the Goldstream food bank however you can. There are three ways: 1. Through the offering plate; 2. The brown “Food” box in the Narthex; or, 3. There is a white “foodbank” money box on the table in the Narthex. It just so happens that this week, Thrifty Foods is having a case lot sale. They did mention that pet food is often asked for. Thank you all for whatever you can do. See Mike A for further info.

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS of artwork, the Christian Seasons Calendar 2017-2018: Artists are invited to participate in the upcoming issue of Salt of the Earth – The Christian Seasons Calendar for 2017–2018. This unique calendar follows the distinctive seasons of the Christian year and is distributed worldwide. Submission deadline: May 31, 2017. Please visit our website at: www.thechristiancalendar.com for details. For more information about the calendar and the submission process please email inquiries to Jennifer Griffin at: uhillcalendar@gmail.com

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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

We ask congregants to limit the use of fragrances.

THANK YOU!