

Church of the Advent

Anglican Christian Witness on Victoria's Westshore

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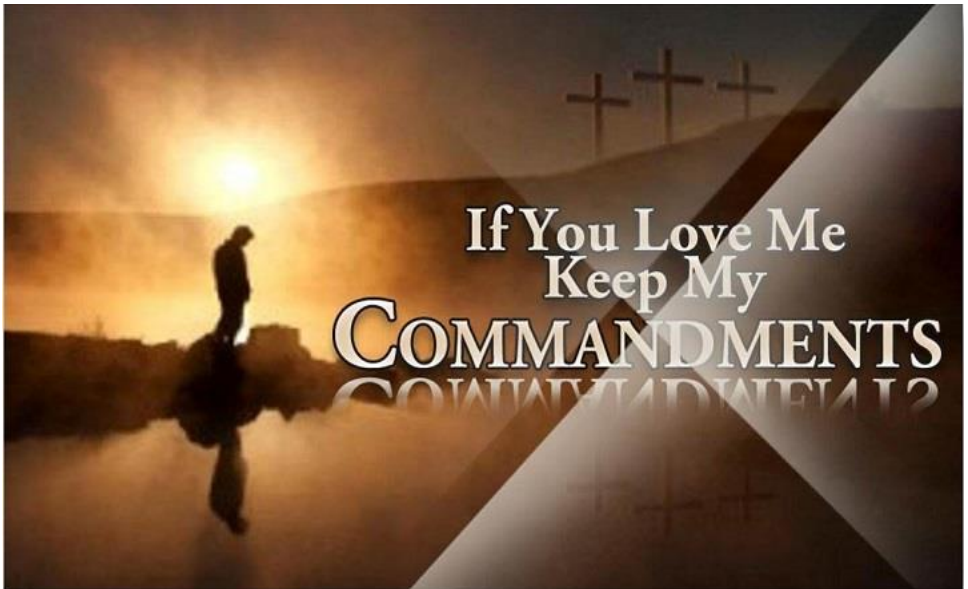
***Together in Christ we seek to love God
and to love and serve all others***

The Right Rev Dr. Logan McMenamie, Bishop

The Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover, Rector

May 21 2017

6th 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 Sandra Hounsell-Drover preaches and presides today.

<p>8:30 a.m. Holy Communion Book of Common Prayer, p. 67</p>
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Acts 17:22-31

Psalms 66:8-20 pg 408

1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21

Administrator

Elizabeth Bennett

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Sheila Bull

Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Eric Spurling

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

Liturgical Assistant is Tim Hamblin

Crucifer & Acolyte is William Hounsell-Drover

Sidespeople are Joan Hoffman & Lydia French

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:

If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you.

Opening Hymn: CP 425 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

The Greeting:

Live in God's love!

Let that love be poured out for all God's people!

Bring hope and peace to all whom you meet.

We are called to be God's witnesses.

Celebrate and rejoice.

Praise be to God who has called, healed, and given us a ministry of peace. Amen.

Hymn of Praise CP 340 Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord

Collect of the Day

God of love,

you invite us to abide in you. May we follow the Spirit of truth, so that through us your commanding love may speak to the heart of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Childrens Ministry Time:

Childrens Hymn: The Garden Song

Inch by inch, row by row
Gonna make my garden grow
Gonna mulch it deep and low
Gonna make it fertile ground
Inch by inch, row by row
Please bless these seeds I sow
Please keep them safe below
'Til the rains come tumbling down

Pulling weeds and pickin' stones
We are made of dreams and bones
Need a spot to call my own
'Cause the time is close at hand
Grain for grain, sun and rain
Find my way in nature's chain
To my body and my brain
To the music from the land

Inch by inch, row by row
Gonna make my garden grow
Gonna mulch it deep and low
Gonna make it fertile ground
Inch by inch, row by row
Please bless these seeds I sow
Please keep them safe below
'Til the rains come tumbling down

From our congregational songbook "Spirit of Singing" Words and music:
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Reading: *Acts 17:22-31*

Sheila Dearsley

Psalm: *66:8-20*

Reading: *1 Peter 3:13-22*

Jose Perena Pratt

Gospel Hymn: CP 569 **Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life**

Vss 1 and 2 before the Gospel and Vs 3 following the Gospel

Gospel: *John 14: 15-21*

Mollie Medcalf

The Sermon

The Reverend Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Prayers of the People

Neil Mikkonen

Peace

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: CP 259 **For the Fruit of All Creation**

Prayer over the Gifts

God of glory, **accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 2

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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: **Linda Cue, Graham Terlson, tba.**

Parish Choir sings at Communion: ***For You, Deep Stillness of the Silent Inland***

Words by Julie Perrin and Music by Robin Mann

Prayer after Communion:

God of love, **you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, 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 309 Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet

Commissioning:

Wherever we are, we are in God.

Wherever we are, we are in Christ, and Christ is in us.

Wherever we are, the Spirit abides with us and in us.

We go forth in peace and hope, upheld by God in every way.

Let us go forth in faithfulness and trust.

May all see the Divine in and through us. Amen. Alleluia!

Please join us today for coffee, tea, and cake as we celebrate Derek Turner being awarded the rank of Knight of the French National Order of the Legion of Honour.

TODAY WE PRAY

Ngbo - (Enugu, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Christian Ebisike.

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

For the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior - Bishop Barbara Andrews.

For S. Dunstan, Victoria - John Steele.

In the Selkirk Region for our Military Chaplains, Lt (N) John Hounsell-Drover, Major David Donevan, & Lt (N) Nigel Tully.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

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

SHARED MINISTRY

THIS WEEK

Monday, May 22 - Stat Holiday – Office Closed.

Tuesday, May 23 - Whatsoever 10:00;

Wednesday, May 24 - Mid-week Eucharist; Ladies Guild Luncheon 12 – 1;

Regional meeting for Synod at St Peter & St Paul Esquimalt 5:00 pm.;

Choir 7:30 pm.

Friday, May 26 - Office closed, Rev. Sandra's day off.

Saturday, May 27 – Messy Church All Children Welcome

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- June 4: Pentecost Sunday & Intergenerational Service; wear Red, Yellow or Orange to celebrate the Holy Spirit! **AND THEN WE PICNIC!!** With hotdogs, chips, ice cream. Bring a blanket or a lawn chair! Come and play...
- 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 1:6-14; Ps 68:1-10, 33-36; ; 1 Peter: 4:12-14, 2:6-11; John: 17:1-11

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. They are asking for anything canned. Soup, beans, juice, vegetables, well you get the picture. Thank you all for whatever you can do. See Mike Armstrong for further info.



34th Annual Strawberry Tea & Craft Fair **Saturday June 10th–10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

HELP IS NEEDED:

With serving, set-up, clean-up

SIGN-UP –the sheets are in the Narthex

Baking & Jams –all donations gratefully received for the BAKE TABLE.

Posters –help yourself to 1 or 2 for posting!

Buy a gift for Dad (Father’s Day –June 18th)

Bring your friends and family to sample our yummy Strawberry Shortcake (\$6.50 each) and browse through the many craft tables. This event is always lots of fun! More info needed? Contact the church office, Mary Wills (250-474-4909) or Donna Brandle (250-478-0264).

GARAGE SALE – May 6, 2017

We were so lucky to be blessed with good weather at our 25th annual sale. This successful day was organized by members of our faith community. Thank you to all who came out and supported us. We also **THANK** - the set-up crew (who worked tirelessly all week. I think some of you almost camped out in the building; staff of SELLERS, the BUYERS; money counters; BBQ staff who cooked the yummy burgers & hot dogs; kitchen crew; the many parishioners who donated to the Bake Table; those who brought in plants; and at the end of the sale, all who boxed and sorted the many leftover items. **We especially thank Mary Wills for her dedication to this event.** The following amounts are approximate totals for the different categories.

Pre-Sales & Post-Sales	\$	1718.03
Bake Table	\$	510.30
BBQ lunch; pie & ice cream	\$	497.00
Bedding & Linens	\$	398.55
Boutique & Vintage	\$	925.00
Main Hall (small appliance; xmas; household, picture frames)	\$	1276.50
Outside & Plants	\$	1101.25
Quality Goods	\$	148.00
Children: Toys & Baby	\$	428.80
\$3 Bags	\$	214.30

\$7264.63 has been deposited so far for this years Garage Sale. **Well done everyone.** We also want to thank Thrifty's Foods for their generous donation of a \$50 gift card, which went towards purchasing the food for our very successful BBQ lunch. Our expenses (the dumpster & BBQ expenses) have not been taken away from this amount yet.

CHURCH CAMP – July 7 to 14

Please make sure you confirm with Liz Garland (250-478-5494 or bobandlizgarland@shaw.ca) if you plan on coming to our annual camp. We have No-hook-up sites; Partial hook-up sites; Full hook-up sites still available. Come for the day; the weekend; or the week. If you are motelling it, there are motels nearby.