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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*

**August 27<sup>th</sup> 2017**

**12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**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.*

*Reverend Sandra Hounsell-Drover preaches and presides today.*

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

*Exodus 1:8 - 2:10*

*Psalms 124 p.499*

*Matthew 16:13-20*

*Administrator*

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***Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover***

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

*Liturgical Assistant is Jim Hamar  
Sidespeople are Evelyn & Ed Robinson*

**THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD**

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:** Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

**Opening Hymn:** CP 429 For the Beauty of the Earth

Tune: DIX

**The Greeting:**

Our help is in the name of the Lord our God,

**The Maker of heaven and earth,**

Who comes to our aid in times of need,

**Who gives us the courage to do what we know is right,**

Who invites us to turn away from the influences of the world around us

**And confess Him as Saviour and Lord.**

This is our God!

**Let's worship together. AMEN.**

**Hymn of Praise:** CP 382 Praise to the Lord

**Collect of the Day:**

Gracious God,

**although we once were strangers, you receive us as friends and draw us home to you. Set your living bread before us, so that we may be strengthened to continue the work your Son has commissioned us to do. Amen**

**THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED**

**Childrens Ministry Time:**

**Reading:** *Exodus 1:8 - 2:10*

**Carolyn Hamar**

**Psalm:** 124

**p. 884**

**Gospel Hymn:** CP 617 Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

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

**Gospel:** *Matthew 16:13-20*

**Dayle Robertson**

The Sermon  
Apostles Creed  
Prayers of the People  
Confession & Absolution  
The Peace

Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover  
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THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Offertory Hymn: CP 60 I Come with Joy

Prayer over the Gifts:

God of glory,  
receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase in us  
that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our  
Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer #2

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Holy, Holy, Holy Lord CP 719

Land of Rest

Lord's Prayer

Gordon Light

Fraction #1

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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: tba

Prayer after Communion:

Living God,  
increase in us the healing power of your love. Guide and direct us that  
we may please you in all things, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen. Alleluia.

Doxology:

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Blessing:

Announcements:

## WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

### Commissioning Hymn: CP 525 The Church's One Foundation

#### Commissioning:

Go with confidence into the days ahead, trusting in God's unfailing love and faithfulness.

God will not abandon you, for you are the work of His hands—His own creation—and His love endures forever.

**So we go in joy to love and serve the Lord! Amen. Alleluia.**

Please join us today for coffee, tea, or juice after the service.

#### TODAY WE PRAY

*Ruwenzori - (Uganda) The Rt Revd Reuben Kisembo*

*South Rwenzori - (Uganda) The Rt Revd Jackson Nzerebende*

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

*Diocese of Yukon - Bishop Larry Robertson.*

*S. John the Baptist, South Cowichan, Bruce Bryant-Scott.*

*In the Selkirk region for Church of the Advent.*

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

*Barb & Doug, Val, Maureen, Brad and Tytti, Brenda, Elmer, Peter, Dave, Jack, David & Christy.*

#### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Exodus 3:1-15, Psalm 105:1-6,23-26, 45c, Matthew 16: 21-28