

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*

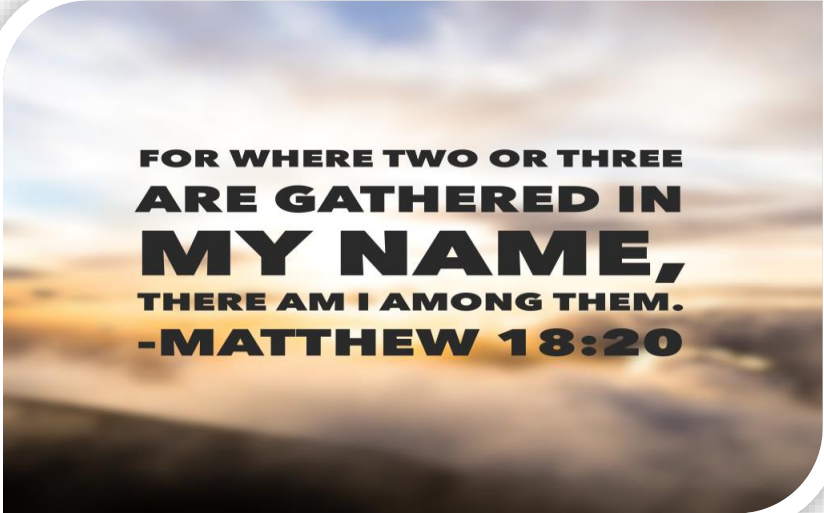
The Right Rev Dr. Logan McMenamie, Bishop

The Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover, Rector

BIRTHDAY SUNDAY

September 10th 2017

14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



**FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE
ARE GATHERED IN
MY NAME,
THERE AM I AMONG THEM.
-MATTHEW 18:20**

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.

Reverend Sandra Hounsell-Drover preaches and presides today.

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

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalms 149 p.520

Matthew 18:15-20

Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Administrator

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

Liturgical Assistant is Tim Hamblin

Sidespeople are Joan Hoffman & Lydia French

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.

Call to Worship: Where Two or Three Are Gathered *by Bruce Harding*

Led by Kathy Middleton then the congregation joins in.

Where two or three are gathered in my name,

I am there, I am there.

Sentence of the Day: God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation.

Opening Hymn: The Church is Wherever God's People

Tune: Old Cornish Carol

The church is wherever God's people are praising, singing God's goodness for joy on this day. The church is wherever disciples of Jesus remember his story and walk in his way.

The church is wherever God's people are helping, caring for neighbours in sickness and need. The church is wherever God's people are sharing the words of the Bible in gift and in deed.

The Greeting:

Welcome to worship today!

Thank you! We are glad to be here.

Today we will celebrate the great gift of Jesus Christ.

Open our hearts, Lord, to hear these healing words.

Come, let us worship God who loves each and every one of us.

Thanks be to God. AMEN.

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

Collect of the Day: O God, whose word burns like a fire within us: **grant us a bold and faithful spirit, so that, in your strength, we may be unafraid to speak your word and follow where you lead; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen**

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

Childrens Ministry Time: 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!

Reading: *Exodus 12:1-14*

Helen Thomas

Psalm: 149

p. 908

Gospel Hymn: CP 487 Where Charity and Love Prevail

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

Gospel: *Matthew 18:15-20*

Barb Gossman

The Sermon

Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Apostles Creed

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Prayers of the People

John Hounsell-Drover

Confession & Absolution

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The Peace

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Offertory Hymn: CP 59 Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him

Prayer over the Gifts:

Great and holy God,
accept our offering of labour and love. May we bring you true and
spiritual worship and be one with you. We ask this in the name of
Jesus Christ the 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:

Prayer after Communion:

Father,

your word and sacrament give us food and life. May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honour and glory, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Doxology:

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Blessing:

Announcements:

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Commissioning Hymn: 309 Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet

Commissioning:

Go out into the world to join God in the work of love, of peace, of justice. Take in the breath of life. Take off your shoes. Know that you are ever in the presence of the Holy and Living God. Go in peace.

We go in peace in Christ's name. Amen. Alleluia.

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

TODAY WE PRAY

*Seychelles - (Indian Ocean) The Rt Revd James Richard Wong Yin Song
For Fred our Primate, John our Metropolitan, Logan our Bishop, Sandra
our Rector.*

For the Diocese of Caledonia.

*For S. John the Divine, Courtenay & S. Andrew, Sandwick - Anthony
Divinagracia & Marg Misener.*

In the Selkirk region for St. Michael & All Angels (Royal Oak).

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

Val, Maureen, Brad and Tytti, Brenda, Elmer, Peter, Dave, Jack, Jane

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Exodus 14:19-31, Psalm 114, Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35

SHARED MINISTRY

Please remember to let the office know when your activities start.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, Sept 12 – What-sew-ever 10:00. Pastoral Care 1:00

Wednesday, Sept 13 - Mid-week Eucharist 10:00; Ladies Guild meeting 1:30; Choir start up 7:30;

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, Sept 17 – Refresh Sunday – See page 7

Tuesday, Sept 19 – Parish Council Meeting 7:00 – 9:00

Wednesday Sept 20 – Yes, We Can meeting 1:00

Wednesday Sept. 27 – Ladies Guild Community Lunch 12:00 – 1:00

Monday Oct. 2 Blood Services Clinic

Please remember – When you wish the use of a room for a meeting or anything, PLEASE contact the church office 250 474-3031 or office@colwoodanglican.ca Our church is an extremely busy place and we need to know if you are coming in. IF you have booked a room and then don't need it, again, please contact the office. We might be able to use it for something else. THANK YOU ALL so very much.

REFRESH SUNDAY

September 17

We gather together after a time of rest and renewal for cross-generational worship.

We will have:

Sunday School registration

Confirmation/reception into the Anglican Communion registration

We will learn:

Of all the ministries at Church of the Advent.

Of the ways you may get involved!

We will wear our nametags – and don't worry if you don't have one! We will provide!



September 15 & 16

You aren't going to want to miss our annual conference. This is the one time each year when the diocesan community comes together to share, learn, worship and pray together. We have strength because we belong to a worldwide communion. Our diocese is a vibrant local expression of that communion. Come celebrate that with us!

Here's What You'll Experience

- 18 informative and fun workshops
- 3 inspiring keynote addresses
- uplifting worship
- renewed friendships and new friendships
- the presence of the Holy Spirit working in and through us as we gather

A conference schedule can be viewed online at bc.anglican.ca/events

Regular Tickets \$75 (includes Friday evening reception*, lunch, keynotes and three workshops)

Friday Evening Only \$30

Saturday Only \$50

Please see the poster provided or speak with Rev Sandra for more info.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Starting Sept 17, we will start praying for our parishioners and families every Sunday.

OUR BOOK SALE: Will take place Saturday, November 4th. Posters on the table in the Narthex. Please take a couple and put them up! Thanks.

Rector's Desk (Church Humor):

En route to church to make his first confession, a nervous seven-year-old asked his grandmother what he could expect.

"Confession is where you tell all the bad things you've done to the priest," she told him. He looked relieved. "Good. I haven't done anything bad to the priest."

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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!