

# 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*

*The Rev. Dr. Paul Schumacher, Associate Priest*

September 15, 2019

Pentecost 14  
REFRESH Sunday



**SEASON OF  
CREATION**  
SEPTEMBER 1- OCTOBER 4

**Sunday Services** are at 8:30 a.m. (Traditional Rite)

10:00 a.m. (Contemporary)

**Office Hours** are Mon to Thurs, 9:00-Noon; **Closed Friday.**

**Celtic Eucharist and Gospel Discussion** Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

## **WELCOME TO 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 Salish peoples. We commit ourselves to continue with our First Nations neighbours on the journey of healing, truth and reconciliation.*

*Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover preaches & presides today.*

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| <p><b>8:30 a.m. Holy Communion</b><br/><b>Book of Common Prayer, p. 67</b></p> |
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*Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28*

**TBD**

*Psalms 14 Pg. 343*

**TBD**

*1 Timothy 1:12-17*

**TBD**

*Luke 15:1-10*

**Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover**

*Administrator*

**TBD**

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| <p><b>10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist</b><br/><b>Book of Alternative Services, p. 185</b></p> |
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*Liturgical Assistant is Helen Thomas*  
*Sidespeople are Ed & Evelyn Robinson*  
*Director of Music is Nell Howard*

*We kindly ask that parishioners silence or turn off cell phones and/or other devices during the service.*

## **THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Leader: As we meet together, we begin by remembering the Lekwungen 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:** Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

**Opening Hymn: Let Us Build A House**

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

*All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,  
where all God’s children dare to seek to dream God’s reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God’s grace;  
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

*All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat;  
a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.  
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;  
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

*All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place*

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone  
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they’ve known.

Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God’s face;  
let us bring an end to fear and danger:

*All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasures, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

*All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

**Gathering:**

This is the day which our God has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

This is the first day of a new week. We give it to you, O God, to celebrate the new life which you give us through the resurrection of Jesus.

**Let us rejoice and be glad!**

O God we thank you for this new season in your world. We have laughed and played in the sunshine of your summer. Now we turn to a time of change and harvest in our land.

**Let us rejoice and be glad!**

This is a new time in our lives. We have left our vacations behind us. We have returned to our classrooms and jobs, to new challenges and new joys. We trust in your promise, O God, that you are always with us. Help us have real faith in this real world of ours.

**Let us rejoice and be glad!**

**Hymn of Praise: CP 352 Amazing Grace**

**Collect of the Day: God of the dirtied hands, the wandering feet: **you seek out the lost before they ever turn to you. Take us with you into the abandoned places to find a new community outside our fortress walls; through Jesus Christ, the Searching One. Amen.****

**Collect for Creation: God of unchangeable power, **when you fashioned the world the morning stars sang together and the host of heaven shouted for joy; open our eyes to the wonders of creation and teach us to see all things for good, to the honor of your glorious name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.****

## THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED



### Chat @ the Chancel:

#### Hymn: VU 639 One More Step Along the World I Go

One more step along the world I go.  
One more step along the world I go.  
From the old things to the new  
keep me traveling along with you.  
And it's from the old I travel to the new.  
Keep me traveling along with you.

Round the corners of the world I turn.  
More and more about the world I learn.  
All the new things that I see  
you'll be looking at along with me.  
And it's from the old I travel to the new.  
Keep me traveling along with you.

First Reading: *Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28*

**Lydia French**

Psalm: 14

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Second Reading: *1 Timothy 1:12-17*

**Carolyn Hamar**

#### Gospel Hymn: VU 312 Praise with Joy, the World's Creator

Praise with joy the world's Creator; God of justice, love, and peace,  
source and end of human knowledge, God whose grace shall never cease.  
Celebrate the Maker's glory, power to rescue and release.

Praise to Christ who feeds the hungry, frees the captive, finds the lost,  
heals the sick, up-sets religion, fearless both of fate and cost.  
Celebrate Christ's constant presence: friend and stranger, guest and host.

Gospel: *Luke 15:1-10*

**Joan Hoffman**

## **Gospel Hymn Cont'd:**

Praise the Spirit sent among us, liberating truth from pride,  
forging bonds where race or gender, age or nation dare divide.  
Celebrate the Spirit's treasure: foolishness none dare deride.

Praise the Maker, Christ, and Spirit, one God in community,  
calling Christians to embody oneness and diversity.  
This the world shall see reflected: God is One and One in Three.

**Sermon:** "The Web of Learning: An Act of Recovenanting"

**Sermon Prayer:** Gracious God, **we thank you for calling us into a delightful ministry of teaching and learning together. Help us to recognize and celebrate the gifts that each one brings to this community of faith. Help us to treasure and strengthen the strands that connect us to one another and to you. Guide us and empower us to live what we learn, to serve your world following Christ's example. Amen.**

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD**

**Prayers of the People:**

Sheila Dearsley

**Peace:**

## **CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST**

**Offertory Hymn:** Bread of Life, Feed My Soul

Bread of Life, feed my soul,  
as the presence of the Spirit makes me whole.  
Bread of life, fill my heart  
with the grace and mercy you impart.

**Refrain:**

***I have heard your voice calling, "Come my friend, and share in the feast that is laid out for you to show how much I care."***

Bread of life, help me live  
a life as pure and true as Jesus did.  
Bread of Life, help me see  
the boundless love of Christ for you and me. **(Refrain)**

Bread of Life, feed my soul,  
as the presence of the Spirit makes me whole.  
Bread of life, fill my heart  
with the grace and mercy you impart. **(Refrain)**

**Prayer over the Gifts:** Holy God, **accept all we offer you this day. May we who are reconciled at this table bring wholeness to our broken world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

**Eucharistic Prayer #2:**

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**Sanctus: MV 206**

Holy, holy holy, God of power and might;  
Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the One who comes, who comes in God's name.  
Hosanna in the highest.

**Lord's Prayer:** (Gordon Light)

**Fraction #2:**

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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: Ann Andrews, Linda Cue, & Lorne Dearsley*

*Communion Anthem: Gather Us In*

Words by Sally Albrecht & Jay Althouse

**Prayer after Communion:** God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

**Doxology:**

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### **SENDING FORTH**

**Blessing:**

**Shared Ministry:**

**Commissioning Hymn:** CP 418 Draw the Circle Wide

**Commissioning:** My friends, go into the world: knowing that it is God who loves us, Christ who strengthens us, and the Holy Spirit who empowers us for service. Go in peace and joy!  
**We go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen. Alleluia.**

*~Coffee, tea, and juice are served in the Main Hall after the service~*

### **TODAY WE PRAY**

*Pray for the Anglican Church of Tanzania & The Most Revd Dr. Maimbo Mndolwa (Archbishop of Tanzania & Bishop of Tanga).  
For Linda our Primate, Melissa our Metropolitan,  
Logan our Bishop,  
Sandra our Rector, & Paul our Associate Priest.  
For S Philip-by-the-Sea, Lantzville (Rector David Chillman) &  
For the Diocese of Kootenay (Bishop Lynne McNaughton).  
In the Selkirk Region for S Michael & All Angels (Royal Oak).*

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

*Joan, Maureen, Brad & Aila, Elmer & Alice,  
Ben & Sarah, Bill, Patricia, Spencer, Barney, Peter, Dode, & Peter.*

***SHARED MINISTRY***

**THIS WEEK**

**Tuesday, Sept. 17** – Whatsewaver, 10 am; Parish Council, 7 pm

**Wednesday, Sept. 18** – Midweek Eucharist, 10 am;

Ladies Guild Mtg, 1:30 pm; Choir, 7:30 pm

**Friday, Sept. 20** – Office is closed; Rev. Sandra's day off;

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

Jer 8:18-9:1; Ps 79:1-9; 1Tim 2:1-7; Lk 16:1-13

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**Sept. 17:** Parish Council Meeting, 7 pm

**Sept. 21:** Beach Clean-up at Esquimalt Lagoon, 9:30 – 11:30 am

**Sept. 22:** Environment Sunday

**Sept. 25:** Ladies Guild Luncheon, noon – 1 pm

**Sept. 27-28:** “We Together” Conference in Nanaimo plus  
Victoria Cactus & Succulent Society at Church of the Advent

**Sept. 29:** Orange Shirt Day plus

South Island Harmony Concert at 2 pm in the Sanctuary

**Sept. 30 – Oct. 5:** Book Sale Week Prep

**Oct. 1:** Priory at 10:30 am

**Oct. 4:** Book Pre-Sale, 6-8 pm

**Oct. 5:** Book Sale, 9 am – 3 pm

**Oct. 6:** Blessings of the Animals Service (Main Hall)

**BOOK SALE** – Our annual book sale is only 3 weeks away! Now is the time to sign up if you wish to help during the week of the 29<sup>th</sup> in preparation for the pre-sale and sale on October 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheets for the entire week will be in the Narthex. Please indicate the dates and times you are available. We are grateful for all the support we can get!

Also, to anyone with trucks and trailers who would be willing to help cart away the surplus of books, please indicate so on the sign-up sheet or let Jose know. If you are unable to do trips on the day of the 5<sup>th</sup>, that is fine. Anytime in the following week works great too!

Lastly, remember to get the word out. The **pre-sale is Friday, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday's sale goes from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.** We are currently accepting gently used fiction/non-fiction books, as well as DVDs, videos, CDs, audio tapes, records and sheet music. Please NO encyclopedias, hard cover Readers Digests, and school textbooks.

**INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEAN-UP** - As part of the Anglican Church of the Advent's response to the Season of Creation, we will be taking part in the International Coastal Cleanup. Please join us on Saturday, **September 21 at 9:30** in the morning at Church of the Advent, 510 Mt. View. We will then proceed to the Lagoon for two hours of beach clean-up. Come prepared with work gloves and dressed appropriately for the task at hand. **If you are interested in attending, please include your name on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.**

For more information you can check out <https://oceanconservancy.org/>

**JAZZ VESPERS** – Please join us for our first Jazz Vespers service of the season **this evening at 7 pm**. Our special guest is the spectacular jazz vocalist, **Angela Verbrugge**.

We have an exciting line up for the 2019/20 Jazz Vespers season. You can check back regularly on our website, [www.colwoodanglican.ca](http://www.colwoodanglican.ca), for more information about upcoming dates and information about the featured artists. Thank you for your continued interest in this beautiful series that enriches our community and draws everyone together. We look forward to seeing you there.

**UPCOMING CONCERT:** Mark your calendars for September 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:00. We have invited the **South Island Harmony Chorus** to perform in our Sanctuary. Tickets are \$15 each and can be purchased through the office or by contacting Marlyn at 250-478-9396.

Also, posters will be available in the Narthex. Please feel free to grab some and post them around the community if you are able. Thank you!

*South Island Harmony, formerly known as The Victoria Village Squires, was formed in 1968 as part of SPEBSQA Inc, now the **Barbershop Harmony Society**, an International singing movement some **30,000 strong**. Made up of men of good character from all over the Southern Vancouver Island region, South Island Harmony **perform regularly** in the community, offer school and public learning programs, and **entertain the public** with our great mix of old **classics and modern arrangements**. If you love a cappella singing, you will love South Island Harmony. We are carrying on the traditions of Barbershop four-part harmony, while growing into the new and exciting world of open a cappella performing.*

**DIOCESAN CONFERENCE (SEPT 27-28, 2019)** – “**We Together**” is our diocese’s biennial conference that gathers together everyone from our islands and inlets who wish to unite, pray, learn and share “what God is up to in our lives.” This year’s conference is at St. Paul in Nanaimo and will focus on “our role in building the peaceable kingdom imagined and longed for in scripture.” The event kicks off on Friday evening with a keynote address by Pádraig Ó Tuama who is a poet, theologian and conflict mediator from Ireland. Saturday offers a full day’s program of workshops following morning coffee/registration and the Bishop’s greeting. For more information about the conference and to register, please visit <https://bc.anglican.ca/events/we-together-conference/2019-09-27>

**VICTORIA CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY**....is returning to Church of the Advent for their Show & Sale on **Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> from 11 am to 7 pm**, and **Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 4 pm**. The show is free admission, cash only, and you are advised to bring your own box!

## DIRECTORY

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| <i>Church Office*</i>            | Mon. – Thurs. 9 a.m. till Noon    | 250-474-3031 |
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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

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| Name    |             |
| Address | Postal Code |
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*We ask congregants to limit the use of fragrances.*

**THANK YOU!**