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

October 27, 2019

Pentecost 20



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.

Flowers on the altar are to the Glory of God and in memory of my loving husband, Art. – Lorna Wallace & Family

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

Joel 2:23-32

Psalm 65 Pg. 4047

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18:9-14

Administrator

Suzanne Bullen

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Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Bill Bull

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

*Liturgical Assistant is Sheila Dearsley
Sidespeople are Joan Hoffman & Lydia French
Director of Music is Nell Howard*

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

Opening Hymn: CP 506 Lord of All Hopefulness

Gathering:

In this time and place, we are not alone for we meet in the presence of the living God.

For we meet in the presence of the living God.

In this time and place, we are not alone for the Risen Jesus stands in our midst

The Risen Jesus stands in our midst.

In this time and space, we are not alone for the wind of the Spirit moves in and through us.

The wind of the Spirit moves in and through us.

In this time and in this space, we are not alone for we gather with the whole company of heaven. In this time and in this space heaven and earth are one.

In this time and in this space heaven and earth are one.

In this time and place together, one people in Jesus Christ.

In the name of God, Creator, Saviour and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Hymn of Praise: CP 397 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

Centering Stillness: Let us hold this moment open to the Spirit of God.

Collect of the Day: O God of salvation, we come to you in joy, for you have heard the prayers of the poor and raised up the lowly. Pour out your Spirit on young and old alike, so that our dreams and visions may bring justice and peace to the world. Amen.

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

Chat @ the Chancel:



Hymn: I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
I'm so glad Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

First Reading: *Joel 2:23-32*

Mary Wills

Psalm: 65

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Second Reading: *2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18*

Bob Brandle

Gospel Hymn: CP 612 Healer of Our Every Ill

(Verses 1 & 2 prior to the Gospel; verses 3 & 4 following.)

Gospel: *Luke 18:9-14*

Mike Armstrong

Gospel Hymn Cont'd:

Homily:

Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Affirming the Christian Narrative: We believe and trust in God the Father Almighty We believe and trust in Jesus Christ, his Son. We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit. We believe and trust in the Three in One.

Prayers of the People:

Joan Hoffman

Confession & Absolution: God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving. In silence we call to mind our sins.

(Silence)

Let us confess our sins.

Merciful God,

we have sinned

in what we have thought and said,

in the wrong we have done

and in the good we have not done.

We have sinned in ignorance:

we have sinned in weakness:

we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry.

We repent and turn to you.

Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake,

and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.

The Absolution:

Through the cross of Christ,

God have mercy on you,

pardon you

and set you free.

Know that you are forgiven

and be at peace.

God strengthen you in all goodness

and keep you in life eternal.

Amen.

The Peace:

God makes peace within us. Let us claim it.

God makes peace between us. Let us share it.

Let us greet another as a sign of God's peace. The peace of God is here...

to stay.

Thanks be to God.

CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: Bread of Life

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.

Chorus:

***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.
Chorus

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.

Prayer over the Gifts: God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer:

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God is here

The Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts and minds.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God the Creator.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Great Creator, with wit and wisdom you formed the universe. In expectation, your Spirit brooded over all: the midwife of transformation. At your Word, the skies, the seas, the lands and all life came to be. In you, all created things shared life with one another. In ceremony and song, dance and art, these relationships were portrayed and honoured by the first peoples of these Islands and Inlets. The plants, the cedars, the creatures of forest, sea and air revealed your wonder and majesty. When we turned from you, connections were broken and creation suffered. Still, you continued to bring light from night, freedom from slavery, and life from death. Therefore, together with our ancestors in faith and with your beloved creation we sing:

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.

We praise you, Source of all, for the living Word: Jesus.

Born in poverty; a child refugee, a worker with his hands. He gathered disciples and taught and healed the people. He freely shared our sorrow, joy, and pain. In vulnerability, he showed power over sin and triumphed over death. On the night before Jesus died, he feasted with his companions. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them saying, "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you, do this to remember me." After supper he took the cup and when he had given thanks, he gave it to his companions saying, "Drink this, all of you; this is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and the world for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this to remember me." Entering into the mystery of faith we call:

Come Source of life. Come, transforming Word. Come, Creator Spirit.

With his sacred presence unbounded by space and time, we offer to you this bread and cup. Send your Breath of Life, like wind, blowing where it

will, north, east, south and west. May your Spirit brood over these gifts and all who feast at this table offering a foretaste of the eternal feast to come. May all who share your abundant gifts be incorporated as one body and one holy people, joined in the offering of Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection for the reconciliation of all things. Reveal the unity of your Church and the mystery of our communion with our holy forebears and those yet to be born, that we may be guided in faith and walk gently on the earth. Glory and honour to you Triune God, dynamic of love, complete and perfect unity, now, and in all ages. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer: (Gordon Light)

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Breaking of the Bread:

Whoever comes to me shall not hunger
and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

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: **Donna & Bob Brandle, & Ann Andrews**

Choir Anthem: I Lift My Soul to You

Ps 25 adapted by Lori True. Tune by Lori True. Accompaniment by Paul Tate.

Prayer after Communion: God our guide, **you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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:

Shared Ministry:

Commissioning Hymn: CP 434 The Love of Jesus Calls Us

Commissioning:

We have offered praise and prayer to our God,
who sends us out to offer peace and hope to others.
We have heard the call of Jesus in the silence and singing,
and we will join him in speaking for the voiceless.
Filled by the Spirit with faith and trust,
we go to serve others, humbly and lovingly.
Amen.

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

TODAY WE PRAY

Pray for the Church of Ceylon.

*For Linda our Primate, Melissa our Metropolitan,
Logan our Bishop, Sandra our Rector, & Paul our Associate Priest.
For S. Matthias & the Diocese of New Westminster.
In the Selkirk Region for Military Chaplaincies.*

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

*Joan, Maureen, Elmer & Alice, Barney, Peter, Joan & Don, Anthony, Lucy,
& St. Peter & St. Paul.*

SHARED MINISTRY

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, Oct. 29 – What-Sew-Ever, 10 am; Craft Fair Prep 10:30 am.

Wednesday, Oct. 30 –Midweek Eucharist, 10 am; Choir, 7:30 pm

Friday, Nov. 1– Office is closed; Rev. Sandra’s day off;
Scrap & Chat, 9:30 am

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18; Ps 149; Eph 1:11-23; Lk 6:20-31

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Oct. 27: Church Harvest Dinner (5 for 5:30 pm)

Oct. 29: What-Sew-Ever, 10 am

Nov. 1: Scrap & Chat, 9:30 am

Nov. 3: Baby Shower for Thomas, noon – 2 pm

Nov. 5: What-Sew-Ever, 10 am

Nov. 12: What-Sew-Ever, 10 am

Nov. 13: Ladies Guild Meeting, 1:30 pm

Nov. 15: Christmas Craft Fair Set-Up

Nov. 16: Christmas Craft Fair, 10 am to 3 pm

Nov. 17: Jazz Vespers with Kim Greenwood, 7 pm

Nov. 19: What-Sew-Ever, 10 am; Parish Council Meeting, 7 pm

Nov. 26: What-Sew-Ever, 10 am

Nov. 27: Ladies Guild Lunch, 12 to 1 pm

Nov. 29: Scrap & Chat, 9:30 am

Nov. 30: Messy Church at Church of the Advent

Dec. 1: Lessons & Carols Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH HARVEST DINNER – Join us on **October 27th** for our annual Harvest Dinner. The hall opens at 5 pm, and dinner is at 5:30 pm. Sign-up sheets are now in the Narthex. Please indicate the number in your household attending, and the dish you plan to bring.

YOU'RE INVITED! – You're invited to a baby shower on Sunday, November 3rd at noon in Room C. Together, we will welcome and celebrate the birth of Peggy's beautiful little boy, Thomas Robert, who was born on October 9th. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. Please let us know if you are attending and if you are able to bring a finger food to share. The shower will go from noon until approximately 2 pm.

SAFE CHURCH WORKSHOP – St. Mary's Metchosin is hosting a Safe Church Workshop on Saturday, November 9th from 1 to 3 pm. If you need to renew your Safe Church, or have not taken one before and require it, please contact Sharleen to register at: sharleenthompson@hotmail.com

STREET HOPE MINISTRY – We are collecting non-perishable food, socks, gloves, and hats for the Street Hope Ministries Shoebox program. See Joan, Elizabeth or Caroline for more information. **Deadline is Nov. 24th.**

LOGO & SIGN – You may have noticed our brand-new sign out by the front door as well as the new logo that has appeared at the top of the bulletin over the last few weeks. Soon you will also see a second sign out at the end of the parking lot. It is our hope that this logo will soon become an identifiable marker for Church of the Advent to the community at large.

A great deal of creativity, time and reflection went into designing the logo and sign. We especially thank Jamie Renney of Original Fire Creative Studio for bringing this vision into reality. We are also grateful for Murry Kirk of Minie Max Media in helping us with printing the outdoor signs.

HELPER NEEDED – We are looking for someone to help with coffee on the 1st Sunday of each month. If you are interested, please speak with Ed Robinson (250-888-6584).

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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!