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

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

**November 17, 2019**

**Pentecost 23**



**TRANSFORMING FUTURES = CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**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 presides*

*& Brendon Neilson preaches today.*

<p><b>9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist</b> <b>Book of Alternative Services, p. 185</b></p>
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*Liturgical Assistant is Mike Armstrong*  
*Sidespeople are Lorne & Sheila Dearsley*  
*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:** Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.

**Opening Hymn:** CP 312 Sing a New Song

#### **Greeting:**

Give thanks to the LORD!

**Praise God's name!**

Tell the whole world what God has done—

**We tell of God's mighty acts.**

Sing to the LORD,

**For God has done wonderful things!**

Raise your hearts and voices! shout and sing your praise!

**For great is the Holy One who lives among us!**

**Hymn of Praise: MV 115 Behold, I Make All Things New**

Behold, behold, I make all things new, beginning with you, and starting from today.

Behold, behold, I make all things new, my promise is true for I am Christ the Way.

**Collect of the Day:** O God, in Christ you give us hope for a new heaven and a new earth. Grant us wisdom to interpret the signs of our times, courage to sustain in the time of trial, and faith to witness to your truth and love. Amen.

### **THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED**

**Chat @ the Chancel:**



**Hymn: I'm Gonna Shout, Shout, Shout**

I'm gonna shout, shout out my love for Jesus, for Jesus!

I'm gonna shout, shout, shout out my love for God's most holy Child!

For whatever I might do today, at home, at school, at work, at play,

I've got Jesus' love deep down inside of me.

I'm gonna raise, raise, raise up my hands for Jesus, for Jesus!

I'm gonna raise, raise, raise up my hands for God's most holy Child!

For whatever I might do today, at home, at school, at work, at play,

I've got Jesus' love deep down inside of me.

I'm gonna dance, dance, dance all around for Jesus, for Jesus!  
I'm gonna dance, dance, dance all around for God's most holy Child!  
For whatever I might do today, at home, at school, at work, at play,  
I've got Jesus' love deep down inside of me.

**First Reading:** *Isaiah 65:17-25*

**Lenn Enns**

**Canticle:** *Isaiah 12*

Surely, it is God who saves me;

**I will trust in God and not be afraid.**

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defence,  
**and the Lord will be my Saviour.**

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing  
**from the springs of salvation.**

And on that day you shall say,

**Give thanks to the Lord and call upon God's name;**

make God's deeds known among the peoples;

**see that they remember that God's name is exalted.**

Sing the praises of the Lord, for God has done great things,

**and this is known in all the world.**

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy,

**for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.**

**Second Reading:** *2 Thessalonians 3:6-13*

**Elizabeth Bennett**

**Gospel Hymn:** CP 601 God Whose Giving Knows No Ending

**Gospel:** *Luke 21:5-19*

**Linda Van Sickle**

**Gospel Hymn Cont'd:**

**Sermon:**

**Brendon Neilson**

**Nicene Creed:**

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## RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayers of the People:

Joan Hoffman

Confession & Absolution:

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The Peace:

### CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: CP 60 I Come with Joy

Prayer over the Gifts: Holy God, in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer #1:

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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:* **Rose Chandler, Lydia French, & Linda Cue**

## **Choir Anthem: In the Quiet**

By Liam Lawton. Arranged by John Drummond.

**Prayer after Communion: Gracious God, in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ. May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to your light and share in your eternal priesthood; for you are Lord for ever and ever Amen.**

### **SENDING FORTH**

**Blessing:**

**Shared Ministry:**

**Commissioning Hymn: VU 713 I See a New Heaven**

***Refrain:***

**I see a new heaven, I see a new earth as the old one will pass away,  
where the fountain of life flows and without price goes  
to all people who abide in the land.**

There, there on the banks of a river bright and free,  
yielding her fruit, firm in her root,  
the Tree of Life will be. ***(Refrain)***

There, there where death dies and our lives are born again,  
body and soul, struggling but whole  
life flowers after the rain. ***(Refrain)***

There, there where the darkness brings visions from above.  
There where the night, bearing new light,  
reveals the promise of love. ***(Refrain)***

There, there where we work with the love of healing hands.  
labour we must, true to our trust  
to build a promised new land. ***(Refrain)***

**Commissioning:** We go from this place rejoicing in God's love. We commit our lives to serving God by serving others. God's love has made us new. God's peace goes with us in all that we say and do.

**We go in peace to love and serve all of God's creation. Amen.**

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



**TODAY WE PRAY**

*Pray for The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain.*

*For Linda our Primate, Melissa our Metropolitan,*

*Logan our Bishop, Sandra our Rector, & Paul our Associate Priest.*

*For S. Margaret of Scotland, Galiano Island & S. Mary Magdalene, Mayne Island. For the Diocese of Caledonia.*

*In the Selkirk Region for Holy Trinity Sooke.*

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

*Joan, Maureen, Elmer & Alice, Barney, Joan & Don, Anthony, Lucy, Dode, Barb, Bonnie, Scott, Sarah, Kim, & the parish of St. Peter/St. Paul.*

***SHARED MINISTRY***

**THIS WEEK**

**Tuesday, Nov. 19** – What-Sew-Ever, 10 am;

Parish Council Meeting, 7 pm

**Wednesday, Nov. 20** –Midweek Eucharist, 10 am;

**Friday, Nov. 22**– Office is closed; Rev. Sandra's day off;

**READINGS FOR REIGN OF CHRIST:**

Jer 23:1-6; Ps 46; Col 1:11-20; Lk 23:33-43



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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!**