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December 13, 2020
The Third Sunday of Advent
Service by Zoom

The Diocese of British Columbia acknowledges that for thousands of years the Coast Salish, Nuu-chah-nulth, and Kwakwaka'wakw peoples have walked gently on the unceded territories where we now live, work, worship, and play. We seek a new relationship with the first peoples here, one based in honour and respect, and we thank them for their hospitality.

Celebrating full communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

A Service of the Word

This liturgy is based on the

*Anglican Church of Canada **Book of Alternative Services***

The Gathering of the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;

Show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Will you not give us life again,

That your people may rejoice in you?

Show us your mercy, O Lord,

And grant us your salvation.

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Please join in by lighting your own family Advent wreath.

Lighting the third candle: We draw closer to Christmas. As we light this candle, may our hope be renewed that Christ will be born again in our lives this Christmas time.

Poem

Clear shining light,
Mary's child,
Your face lights up our way;
Light of the world,
Mary's child,
Dawn on our darkened day.
Hope of the world,
Mary's child,
You come again to reign;
King of the earth,
Mary's child,
Walk in our streets again.
(Sing a New Song, No. 10, verses 2,4).

L.A. Prayer: Eternal God: through long generations you prepared a way in our world for the coming of your Son, and by your Spirit you are still bringing the light of the gospel to darkened lives. Renew us, so that we may welcome Jesus Christ to rule our thoughts and claim our love, as Lord of lords and King of kings, to whom be glory always. Amen.

The priest prays the Collect of the Day

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: [Isaiah 64:1-4;8-11](#)

[Psalm 126](#)

- 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, * **then were we like those who dream.**
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * **and our tongue with shouts of joy.**
- 3 Then they said among the nations, * **"The Lord has done great things for them."**
- 4 The Lord has done great things for us, * **and we are glad indeed.**
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, * **like the watercourses of the Negev.**
- 6 Those who sowed with tears * **will reap with songs of joy.**

Gospel: [John 1:6-8; 19-28](#)

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Hymn: 109

When the King shall come again
all his power revealing,
splendour shall announce his reign,
life and joy and healing:
earth no longer in decay,
hope no more frustrated;
this is God's redemption day
longingly awaited.

In the desert trees take root
fresh from his creation;
plants and flowers and sweetest fruit
join the celebration.
Rivers spring up from the earth,
barren lands adorning;
valleys, this is your new birth,
mountains, greet the morning!

There God's highway shall be seen
where no roaring lion,
nothing evil or unclean
walks the road to Zion:
ransomed people homeward bound
all your praises voicing,
see your Lord with glory crowned,
share in his rejoicing!

Christopher Idle from Isaiah 35
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The Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Peace

On zoom, a way to offer peace is to look at each person who appears on your screen, and whether they are looking at you or not, pray for God's peace for them. A wave, a smile, a nod of the head are all fitting expressions of your intention.

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Offertory

In thanksgiving for the gifts that we offer to the glory of God and for our ongoing ministry as a parish, let us pray:

**God of hop,
renew in us the joy of your salvation
and make us a living sacrifice to you,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Priest As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

**People Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial,
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom,
 the power and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen**

Community Announcements

L.A. Go from this place seeking Christ in all people,
We go to love and serve our neighbours as ourselves.

Participants in the Service

Lay Assistant: Pauline Woods
Reader:
Gospel: The Rev. David Fitzsimmons
Advent Wreath: Quentin Dodd
Musician: Georgia Smith

Call for Pictures!

Please take a photograph of your own Nativity in your own home and sent it to Cathie for inclusion in the Christmas and Epiphany services.

Worship Opportunities

At St. Peter's

Sunday 10:00 AM on ZOOM.
Services are from the *Book of Alternative Services*.

Noisy offering

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

Psalm 100

Drop your spare change in the jar

Or bills of any denomination,

Grassroots Kind Hearts

Update

So far 40 boxes of socks and handwarmers have been distributed.

They need gloves and rain ponchos. The church is open for donations on Wednesday mornings.

Forthcoming Events

Coffee Monday Yes, on zoom! 10 AM to 11 AM watch your email for a zoom link. Come for a little, come for the whole time

Parish Council Sunday, Dec. 13 at noon on zoom. Brief meeting.

Liturgy Meeting, Monday, Dec. 14, 7:00 PM by zoom

Cathie will be in the church office from 9:00 until 1:00 each Wednesday to respond to messages and concerns. Please call the parish office or Cathie's cell 250-668-3701.

The church will be open that morning for you to drop off food bank donations, Noisy Offering donations, or your offering envelope. Please remember COVID safety and sign the register, wear a mask, use hand sanitizer, and maintain distance from others.

PWRDF Christmas cards are available from Barb Henshall, 250.923.6395 There are pictures in [Spirit Magazine](#). "O come let us adore him" - Nativity. The inside message in several languages is "Christmas Peace."

Every Week

All group activities are moved to zoom or suspended until Dec. 7

Let the Prayer Circle know if you have a confidential prayer concern.

Email stpeterCRprayerchain@gmail.com

Serving the Community

Sunday evening, (essential services)

AA, in the hall

Alanon in the library

Consecration of our new Bishop

January 30, 11:00 AM

We can all watch on the computer.

[Link on the diocesan website](#)

Liturgical Calendar

Dec 6 by zoom

Second Sunday of Advent

Dec, 13

Third Sunday of Advent

Dec 20

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Dec 24

Christmas Eve services

Dec. 27

Christmas Service

January 3

epiphany

Christmas Lessons and Carols

January 10



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Sad news

Today we are sad to learn of the death of Johnnie Hedderson, a long-time member of this parish.

Our hearts go out to his wife Pam and their daughters as they grieve their loss.

There will be a service next week for family. The COVID requirements limit the number to 10. The family will host a larger gathering when the health authorities permit.

You are invited to join in praying for the repose of his soul and for comfort for all who grieve.



Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon him.

May his soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in Peace. Amen.

Advent Study Series

Wednesday evenings, 7:00 to 8:30, online

November Dec. 16, and 23

We will spend time with the Advent people in the Bible: Elizabeth and Zechariah, Mary and Joseph, and the Angels

This week we will be learning about Joseph.

The study takes place on zoom. Watch your email for the link.

If you think you need help with Zoom ask your children or grandchildren to help you get set up on your computer or tablet.

All are Welcome

Truckload Advent Out Reach

Lets work together , Sunday School and parish, to fill a truck with necessities for the Food Bank, things they will need in January when the shelves are bare after the Christmas needs are met.

What do they need?

Any non-perishable canned or packaged food items and especially:

Mr. Noodles

Diapers size 5 and 6

Baby food—the kind in pouches

Baby formula up to 12 months

Sanitary napkins



Please bring your offerings to the church, there is a place marked off in the narthex to receive them.

Today we Pray

In the World-wide Anglican Communion

For Linda our Primate and Mark, our Indigenous Archbishop

Pray for the Falkland Islands (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury) The Rt Revd Timothy Thornton - Bishop to the Forces and Bishop to the Falkland Islands

In our Diocese and Province

Ansley, the diocesan administrator, and Anna, our bishop-elect. Congregation of Holy Trinity, Sooke. Diocese of Caledonia - Bishop David Lehmann

In Our Parish

For the Liturgy Committee as they work to craft meaningful and Holy Christmas services

In our Community

For all who celebrate this holy season, in each their own way.

In the World

We pray for the people of the United States during this transition time.

Christmas Services

The plans for Christmas are taking shape now. We will do the best we can to include all the familiar stories and songs of Christmas in our services. This year Christmas services will take place on zoom, so we will be able to sing the carols in the privacy of our homes. Please attend the Liturgy meeting on Monday, Dec. 14 at 7:00 PM—the link is in your email—and join in planning the services.

WELCOME!

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Diocesan Administrator