



*For unto you is born... a Saviour,
which is Christ the Lord. LUKE 2:11*

Our Christmas Greetings:

In less than a month we will be gathering for the celebration of the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. This annual festival has touched us all in various ways and it our pleasure to send this written greeting to you at this time. Mary Beth and I hope you have a blessed time with family and friends and we pray that your experiences will help you grow in your relationship with our Creator.

The congregations in this Anglican parish will be holding some special events to which you are invited and there will also be many concerts and other activities to foster your relationships and help you enjoy the season even more. I have included some possibilities below and invite you to consider using them to enhance your Christmas celebrations.

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PWRDF - Fundraiser

The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund is one of the ways we can reach around the world with our assistance. During the season of Advent we are being invited to use a collection box in our homes and bring those boxes to our Christmas celebrations filled with whatever money we have decided to donate. The money will be gathered and donated to three of the PWRDF projects: one international, one Canadian, one Indigenous.

December 2 - Advent Sunday Service at St. John's at 11 am

This annual gathering of the two congregations will be followed by a Pot-Luck lunch. There will be no Church service at Christ Church that morning.

December 4 - A Messy Church Event at St. John's at 4:45 pm

Fun, Fellowship, Faith, and Food is the motto for Messy Church. 'Waiting and Watching' will be the theme for this gathering. All children are asked to bring an adult with them.

December 19 - A "Longest Night Service" at Trinity United Church in Lively at 7 pm.

Sometimes we cannot enter the joy of the season with everyone else because of the circumstances of our lives. These Longest Night Services are intended to help in the grieving process as we give thanks to God for His Son.

December 23 - Advent Carols and Lessons services in both locations

The Birth of Jesus is the beginning of the climax of the story of God and His people. The Carols and Lessons help to bring us into that story as we prepare to celebrate Christ's birth.

December 24 - Christmas Communion services -

4 pm at St. John's

7 pm at Christ Church

December 25 - Christmas Communion service

10 am at Meadowbrook Village in Lively (18 Jacobson Drive)

Donations toward the cost of flowers used to decorate the Church for Christmas can either be made in cash or by donating potted plants. A list will be posted in each congregation if you wish to make this donation in memory of a loved one. Contributions to the work of the parish at this time of year can be designated toward: Operating expenses, Building Fund, Chancel/Altar Guild, or left to the Warden's discretion.