

**Central Saanich United Church
United Church of Canada**

Advent 2

December 5th, 2021

Scripture Reader: Lissa Zala

Greeters: Steve Howell & Ruth Coldwell

WE GATHER

Prelude

Welcome, Celebrations and Announcements

Lighting the SECOND Candle of Advent – PEACE

Peace doesn't always mean being quiet.

We seek to be a people of peace, living from a place of justice,

joining our voices with others who want to give birth to a new way of being.

Peace calls out to us, so that we may help it become a reality.

God is our peace.

May we let God reconcile in places of conflict, creating bridges where divisions have grown, sewing all of creation into a new tapestry.

May peace be found in a manger and throughout the world.

(the second Advent candle is lit)

(Eric Hebert-Daly in Gathering, Advent, Year C, 2021, p. 69.)

We Sing: Hope Is A Star

VU 7 (v.2)

We pray...

Holy One, as the days grow shorter and the nights lengthen, be our inner light, we pray.

Keep glowing in our hearts so that what we think and say and do comes from a place of calm and compassion.

When so much distracts and disturbs, anchor us in your abiding peace and deep love.

Remind us that even while we live in this world, you are our everlasting home.

Bless our gathering together, that our minds may be calm and alert, and our hearts open to your grace. **Amen.**

(Juanita Austin, adapted in Gathering, Advent, Year C, 2021, p. 32)

Hymn: Come, Touch Our Hearts

MV 12 (v.1,2,3,5)

Children's Time

Ringing The Tone Bell (invitation to a moment of quiet)

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD

Special Music

From Our Scriptures: Luke 21: 25-36

From the World Around Us: "Awe" by Dennis McCarty
"Holy Waiting" by Liz Dyer

Sermon: "Word In the Wilderness"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

We Sing: There's A Voice In the Wilderness

VU 18

Offering

Invitation

What Can I Do?

MV 191

What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

Dedication of the Gifts

WE PRAY

Hymn: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

VU 400

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn: Long Ago and Far Away

MV 195

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Prayer after Communion

Commissioning and Benediction:

In the name of the Creator, the Holy Spirit, and the Only Begotten One,

may we go forth to spread the warming and peace of what we have received this day.

May the light, love, and wisdom of God guide our way.

Amen.

(Jani Francis in Gathering, Advent 2021 (Year C), p.35.)

Going Forth: Take Up His Song

MV 213

Postlude

***Please refer to the insert for upcoming events
and meetings over the Season of Advent***



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PEACE

Our Vision Statement

*“Deepening and demonstrating our faith in Jesus Christ
by **PARTNERING** in and with the community of
Central Saanich and beyond.”*

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