



A Blue Christmas Evening Service



For some of us, the Advent and Christmas seasons can be a painful time. It may be the first Christmas without a beloved family member who has recently passed away. It may be a time of sadness over the loss of a job, the breaking down of a relationship or wavering faith. For some, it may be a time that has always been difficult.

A Blue Christmas Service offers a safe, welcoming space to acknowledge these struggles and find rest, comfort, healing and the promise of hope through the birth of the Christ Child.

Sunday December 15, 2019 at 7:00 pm
St Mark Ocean Park Anglican Church
12953 20 Avenue, Surrey BC

"The real meaning of Christmas is not presents, it's more like being met with hope and light in your darkness, and that's a message that a lot of us don't hear."

Rev. Wendy Boden-Nelson - *Chicago Tribune*

"The wound is the place where the light enters you."

From *Wounds* by Rumi

"We know how people become caught up in the rush to "do" everything at this time."

"Attendance at a Blue Christmas service might be a wonderful little gift of peace to oneself and the opportunity to treasure memories of Christmases past."

"Grief does grow into silver memories with time."