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

**All Saints' Day
10:00 a.m. Service
November 2nd, 2025**

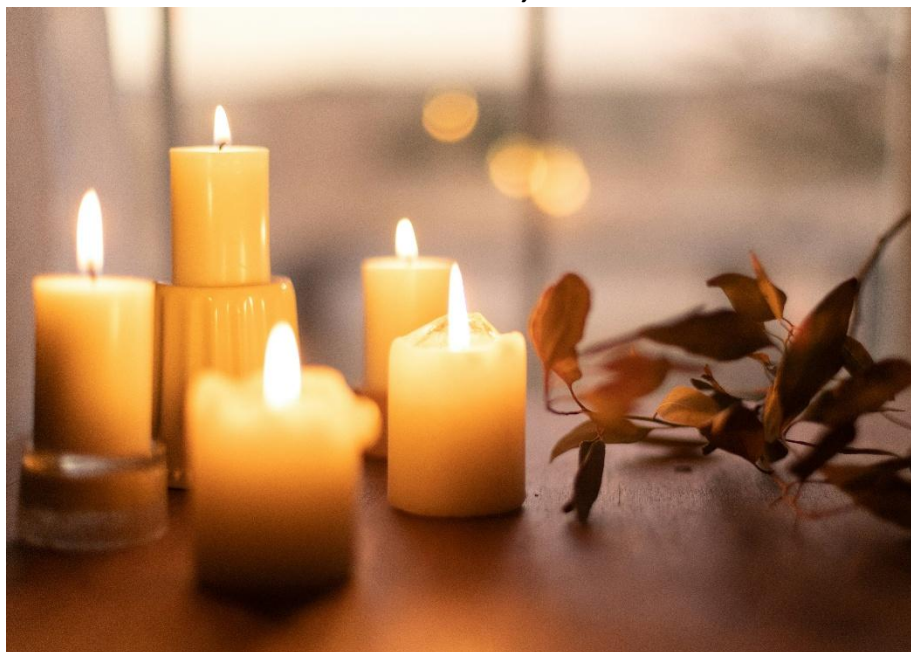


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Sunday Services are at 8:30 a.m. (Traditional Rite)
10:00 a.m. (Contemporary)
Office Hours Mon to Thurs 9:00-Noon
Online Bible Study Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

If you are new to our parish, 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. Sr. Ingrid Andersen preaches & presides.

This service is being broadcast live on the Internet. By attending this morning, you acknowledge and consent to the fact that video images of you may appear there.

Please have your electronic devices on silent mode during the service.

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Eucharist Liturgy for the Islands & Inlets

Lay Eucharistic Minister is Sue Hamblin

Sidespeople are Scott Weatherell & Eva Morneau

Ministry of the Chalice – Mike Armstrong & Lydia French

Director of Music is Nell Howard

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Leader: As we meet today, we begin by remembering the Songhees and x^wsepsəm nations, 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 today, we remember those who have called this place their home in recent years — the community of faith known as Church of the Advent. Let us greet one another with words and signs of welcome.

Opening Hymn: MV 28 God of the Bible (Fresh as the Morning)

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God of the Bible, God in the Gospel, hope seen in Jesus, hope yet to come,
you are our center, daylight or darkness, freedom or prison, you are our home.

Refrain: Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise, God always faithful, you do not change.

Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise, God always faithful, you do not change.

God in our struggles, God in our hunger, suffering with us, taking our part,
still you empow'r us, mothering Spirit, feeding, sustaining, from your own heart.

[R]

Those without status, those who are nothing, you have made royal, gifted with
rights,
chosen as partners, midwives of justice, birthing new systems, lighting new lights
[R]

Not by your finger, not by your anger will our world order change in a day,
but by your people, fearless and faithful, small paper lanterns, lighting the way. [R]

Hope we must carry, shining and certain through all our turmoil, terror and loss,
bonding us gladly one to the other, till our world changes, facing the cross. [R]

Sentence of the Day: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that
whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Collect of the Day Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy
Church, the mystical Body of your Son, grant us grace to follow your blessed
saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you
have prepared for those who love you; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

(Please be seated)

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

Chat at the Chancel:

Hymn: MV 213 Take Up His Song (Vs 3)

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Take up his song of faith and go into the world,
Take up his song of faith in ev'ry moment.
In ev'ry moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives,
lay them down, in faith, lay them down, and take up his song.

First Reading: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

Shirley Robertson

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever - forever and ever."

Hear what the Spirit says to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 149 (BAS Pg. 908)

Sue Hamblin

Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song; * **sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.**

Let Israel rejoice in his maker; * **let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.**

Let them praise his name in the dance; * **let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.**

For the Lord takes pleasure in his people * **and adorns the poor with victory.**

Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; * **let them be joyful on their beds.**

Let the praises of God be in their throat * **and a two-edged sword in their hand;**

To wreak vengeance on the nations * **and punishment on the peoples;**

To bind their kings in chains * **and their nobles with links of iron;**

To inflict on them the judgement decreed; * **this is glory for all his faithful people.**
Hallelujah!

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:11-23

Mary Wills

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will,

so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Hear what the Spirit says to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able for the Gradual Hymn.)

Gradual Hymn: CP 430 Will You Come and Follow Me

(Please remain standing for the Gospel reading)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

Rev. Sr. Ingrid Andersen

Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will

mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: Rev. Sr. Ingrid Andersen

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People:

Janet Denford

(Please be seated for the prayers)

Each petition will end with – We give you thanks for them.

Please respond with – **Hear our prayer.**

Confession & Absolution:

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving. In silence we call to mind our sins.

Merciful God, **we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness: we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. **Amen.**

-From A New Zealand Prayer Book

(Please stand as you are able for the Peace)

The Peace:

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you!**

All are warmly welcome to join us at the Lord's Table. If you prefer not to receive communion but to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free bread is available upon request. Please leave your communion glasses in the bowls on the left and right as you return to your seat.

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Offertory Hymn: CP 435 Take My Life and Let It Be

Prayer over the Gifts: Holy and mighty God, we give you thanks for the triumph of Christ in the lives of all his saints. Receive all we offer you this day, and help us, like them, to run our course with faith, that we may come to your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer: #3 (BAS Pg. 198)

The Sanctus: VU 951 Santo, Santo, Santo (Anon., Argentina)

Santo, santo, santo. Mi Corazón te Adora!
Mi Corazón te sabe decir; Santo eres Dios!
Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words: You are holy, God!

Lord's Prayer:

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Our Father in heaven, hallow'd be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heav'n. 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 for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread:

God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.
Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

The Communion:

Communion Anthem: Be Still and Know

Sung by Choir

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(Please stand as you are able for the Prayer after Communion)

Prayer after Communion: Lord of hosts, **we praise your glory reflected in your saints. May we who share at this table be filled with the joy of your eternal kingdom, where Jesus is Lord, now and for ever. Amen.**

Doxology: Glory to God, **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH

Shared Ministry:

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

Sending out of Lay Eucharistic Visitors:

In the name of God and of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in Christ's body and blood.

We being many, are one body, because we all share in the one bread.

May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Blessing:

Commissioning Hymn: CP 276 For All the Saints (Vss 1, 4, 6, 8)

Commissioning:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ!

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INTERCESSIONS

TODAY WE PRAY

We pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa.

We pray for our new Primate Shane, John our Metropolitan,

Anna our Bishop, and Ingrid our Priest.

In the Western Peninsula & Gulf Islands region for the Reverend Leslie Flynn and the congregation and neighbourhoods of St Philip Cedar.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

We pray for those who have asked for our prayers and for those we know and love, especially Alan, Frank, Linda, Darleen, Peggy, Jim, John, Tina, Jenny, Beth, Mike, Trevor, Barb, Larry, Jim, Geoff & Kim, David, Cena, Kathy, Peter, Susan, Kathy, Jim, Wayne, Neil, Christopher, Dianne, Brandon, Jo, and the residents and staff of Westshore Lodge.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Wisdom 3:1-9; Psalm 116:1-8; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 6:37-40

SHARED MINISTRY

Baptism Congratulations – Congratulations to the Sephenson family for the baptism of Katie, which will take place today following the service.

Thanksgiving Stewardship Letters – If you have not yet done so, please remember to pick up your Thanksgiving Stewardship Letter in the Narthex. Filled-in volunteer forms can be deposited in the box that is located by the letters.

Church Calendars 2026 - The 2026 calendars are here and available for purchase at \$6 each. Please see the parish office during the week if you would like one, or you can find them in the Narthex on Sundays.

Christmas Craft Fair 2025 - Mark your calendars for our spectacular annual Christmas Craft Fair and Tea happening on Saturday, November 15th from 10 am to 3 pm. As always, this event provides the perfect opportunity for some early Christmas gift shopping from a wide array of beautifully hand-crafted items. After shopping, sit and enjoy some sandwiches and dessert with tea/coffee all prepared and served by our Ladies Guild in the tearoom. You won't want to miss it! A final note: Crafter registration forms are still being accepted.

Christmas Craft Fair Signup – Signup sheets for the Christmas Craft Fair are currently in the Narthex. There are many roles to fill to make this event run smoothly. Please consider signing up for a duty at a time slot that works for you.

Prayer Shawl Ministry - A prayer shawl is a handmade shawl, usually knit or crocheted, of soft yarn to give someone a tangible example of God's love and care. A prayer shawl is infused with prayer by the crafter. It is then gifted to a recipient who can wrap up in it and feel God's arms around them. If you are interested, please feel free to contact Shirley at 604-816-2964. **The next meeting is on November 27th, 10 am to noon in the St. John's Room.**

Christmas Day Home Alone Luncheon – Last year's Christmas Day Lunch for anyone who was alone was yet another great success. We had a large turnout and saw lots of happy faces. So, mark your calendars because Church of the Advent will host the lunch again this year! Sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex soon.

From the Parish Library - This week's Top Shelf features books about physical healing.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Nov 4** Intersections Course, Session
(Gordon United)
- Nov 12** Community Coffee Social,
9:30-11 am
Ladies Guild Meeting, 1:30 pm
- Nov 14** Christmas Craft Fair Prep Day
- Nov 15** Christmas Craft Fair, 10 AM – 3 PM
- Nov 22** Spanish Service & Potluck, 6 PM
- Nov 23** Jazz Vespers, 7 PM
- Nov 26** Ladies Guild Luncheon, noon
- Nov 27** Prayer Shaw Mtg, 10 AM
- Nov 30** 8:30 Service Breakfast
Advent 1
- Dec 10** Community Coffee Social,
9:30-11 am
Ladies Guild Appreciation Lunch
- Dec 14** Community Lessons & Carols
Service
- Dec 15** Christmas Caroling
- Dec 16** Parish Council Mtg, 7 pm
- Dec 20** Blue Christmas Service
- Dec 24** Christmas Eve Services
- Dec 25** Christmas Day Home Alone
Luncheon