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

Reign of Christ Sunday

10:00 a.m. Service

November 23, 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.

The 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 Book of Alternative Services, p. 185

*Lay Eucharistic Minister is Shaena Wallace
Sidespeople are Marlyn Butler & Sharon Crews
Ministry of the Chalice – Lydia French & Mike Armstrong
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: CP 322 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Sentence of the Day: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming!

Collect of the Day: Almighty and everlasting God, **whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; 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: CP 418 Draw the Circle Wide (Vs 2)

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Helen Thomas

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Hear what the Spirit says to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Canticle 19a: The Song of Zechariah

Shaena Wallace

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; * **he has come to his people and set them free.**

He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, * **born of the house of his servant David.**

Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, * **from the hands of all who hate us.**

He promised to show mercy to our fathers * **and to remember his holy covenant.**

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, * **to set us free from the hands of our enemies,**

free to worship him without fear, * **holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.**

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, * **for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,**

to give his people knowledge of salvation * **by the forgiveness of their sins.**

In the tender compassion of our God * **the dawn from on high shall break upon us,**

to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, * **and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * **as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.**

Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

Peggy Thomas

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers - all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

Gradual Hymn: S of F 379 Majesty

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Majesty, worship His majesty, Unto Jesus be glory, honour and praise.

Majesty, kingdom authority, Flow from His throne unto His own,

His anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus, Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.

Majesty, worship His majesty, Jesus who died, now glorified,
King of all kings.

(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 23:33-43

Rev. Sr. Ingrid Andersen

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: Rev. Sr. Ingrid Andersen

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People:

Sue Hamblin

(Please be seated for the prayers)

Each petition will end with – God, our saviour.

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 520 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Prayer over the Gifts: Eternal God, **by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day, and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer: #5 (BAS Pg. 204)

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:

**We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

The Communion:

Communion Anthem: Kwake Yesu Nasimama/Here on Jesus Christ I will Stand

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(Sung by Choir)

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

Prayer after Communion: Almighty God, you have made us a royal priesthood in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Make known his victory through us, we pray, that all the world may see his light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. 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 378 Crown Him with Many Crowns

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 Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

We pray for our Primate Shane, John our Metropolitan,

Anna our Bishop, and Ingrid our Priest.

*In the Western Peninsula & Gulf Islands region for St. Mary of the Incarnation,
Metchosin, the Rev. Lynn Mills.*

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, Susan, Kathy, Jim,
Wayne, Neil, Christopher, Dianne, Brandon, Jo, and the residents and staff of
Broadmead Lodge.*

For Those Who Are Mourning

*We pray for Gwen and Doug Doust and their family as they grieve the sudden loss
of their son Andrew, particularly for Scott, his brother, and for Melina,
Andrew's widow.*

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:36-44

SHARED MINISTRY

Jazz Vespers – This evening at 7 PM - We are thrilled to welcome this The Attila Fias Trio to our Jazz Vespers stage. Come and enjoy this group of musicians as they perform an evening of world class jazz right here in the Westshore.

Pageant Sunday – December 14! - We all look forward to the Christmas Pageant on the third Sunday of Advent! Our Christmas Pageant this year will be held on Sunday, December 14th at the 10 AM service, with the Dress Rehearsal the day before, Saturday, December 13th at 11:00 to 12:30. The Pageant is open to all children and those young at heart. The children will be chosen to take on specific roles at the time of the Dress Rehearsal (we have a lot of costumes available). We'd also like to invite adults to participate - **if you're interested, please email Rudo at rudodmgori@gmail.com**. Your participation will be greatly appreciated.

Christmas Caroling – You're invited to join us and spread Christmas cheer at our annual Christmas caroling outing! Please check your newsletter which will have a form for you to fill in your date of preference. We are considering planning the outing for either Sunday, December 14th in the afternoon or a later evening time, or the evening of Monday, December 15th. This is always a fun experience that allows us to connect with those who are homebound. **Please choose your date in the form that is linked in the newsletter.**

Volunteer Forms – A reminder to please turn in your filled in volunteer forms. These forms were enclosed with the Harvest Stewardship letter. If you need another one, please notify the parish office. Once you have filled in the form, you can deposit it into the gold wrapped box sitting in the Narthex. Thank you!

Compassion in Action - This season the Compassion in Action Ministry would like to support Connection Point. They provide a gift shop for parents to shop for their children and gifts for the unhoused. Please provide however you wish with a gift, gift box, or gift bag/ backpack for a child adult or senior. The gift box/bag could include toiletries, snacks and treats, cold weather items etc. **The deadline for receiving donations is December 6th.**

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 are in the Narthex this week.

Christmas Craft Fair 2025 - The Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday Nov 15th was a tremendous success for the church. We received so many positive comments from the community. The atmosphere was very happy with lots of laughter throughout the day. Our sincerest thanks to the Craft Fair Committee and all the volunteers who supported the event and made it a magical experience for everyone. After all expenses have been accounted for, the final result in financial benefit to the church was \$7,180. Of note, we served 197 people and received \$180 in donations!! This exceeded the amounts we received in the past and tells us that we are definitely doing something good in our community.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Nov 23** Jazz Vespers, 7 PM
Nov 26 Ladies Guild Luncheon, noon
Nov 27 Prayer Shawl Mtg, 10 AM
Nov 29 Parish Council Christmas Dinner
Nov 30 8:30 Service Breakfast
Advent 1 Parish Anniversary
- Dec 10** ~~Community Coffee Social~~
Ladies Guild Appreciation Lunch
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
Dec 26-Jan 12 Sr. Ingrid away on holidays
- Jan 14** Community Coffee Social, 9 am
Ladies Guild Mtg, 1:30 pm
Jan 18 Jazz Vespers, 7 pm
Jan 20 Parish Council Mtg, 7 pm
Jan 24 Spanish Service & Potluck, 6 pm
Jan 25 8:30 Breakfast
Jan 28 Ladies Guild Lunch, Noon