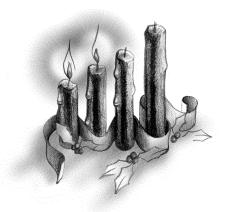


Eblast for December 3, 2025

Please join us SUNDAY for In Person Worship



The Second Sunday of Advent

December 7, 2025 Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM

Presided by: The Rev. Canon Kevin Bothwell; homily by the Rev. Brendon Bedford.

The readings are: Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Romans 15:4-13;

Matthew 3:1-12

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **The Midweek Said BCP Eucharist is offered today** and every Wednesday, beginning at 12:00noon in the chapel. All are welcome.



2. Continuing Advent Project - Wednesdays at 1:00pm.

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, December 3rd, 2025, following The Midweek Eucharist, we continue with the reading of the entire Gospel of Luke -- over several weeks. It's a reading -- not a discussion, not a prayer service.

You may wish to simply come and listen.

If you plan to come to both, the reading and the Midweek Eucharist, consider bringing a lunch. There will be time to grab a bite between the service and the Bible session. No registration or cost to this is required – just show up.

3. Meaford Foodbank & Outreach's Christmas Hamper & Adopt-a-Star programs

It is a tradition of Christ Church to collect food, clothing and toys, etc. for those in need at Christmas time. Through the Meaford Foodbank & Outreach, this is possible. They are now requesting items that can be brought into our church and left in a bin at the back of the church. Here are the items specially requested for the Adopt-a-Star program:

Hygiene Packages Book monetary donations Socks Underwear Hobby item or Toy

All items gratefully accepted by Sunday, December 14th here at Christ Church, in order to get them distributed in time. *Thank you so much!*

4. Coffee Time & Fellowship Hour During Advent, Christmas & Beyond

A new sheet has been put up on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall, to sign up as a host for Coffee & Fellowship time after church. If you can help out by bringing in some treats, please sign up -- we prepare the coffee and provide the cream & sugar. If you have already signed up, thanks a bunch.

5. Christ Church Cookie Exchange (during Coffee/Fellowship Time) – December 14th.



On Advent 3, (Gaudete Sunday, when the colour rose adorns the altar) and is December 14th, we invite you to bring in your favourite homemade cookies, squares, tarts, etc. to exchange for the same amount with other contributors. Please leave them on the table in the Parish Hall when you arrive, if possible. We suggest you bring in two dozen (of one type of cookie) in one container (or plate) and bring along a second container to take home your selection. Please fill out

the Cookie Description sheet to go along with your contribution – for your convenience, a form is attached to this newsletter. It would be wonderful to have the ingredients listed, especially if GF or special diet or the whole recipe if you will share.

6. We invite your contribution of a nativity scene, if you have one to loan for the duration of the Advent and Christmas season. Again, they will adorn our display shelves below the stained glass windows in the church.



7. **We Have Talent in our Midst:** we have had elves at work in their workrooms making items for the church.

A huge thank you to Canon Kevin Bothwell and Terry Melnychuk for their contributions to the lovely Advent Wreath stand – at the front of the church.

We also thank the Chancel Guild for their work in making our church beautiful at this time of year (and year-round). *Thank you so much!* See photos on following pages.

- 8. During these winter months, if there is a forecast of poor weather &/or road conditions, please check our website www.christchurchanglican.ca or facebook page https://www.facebook.com/ChristChurchMeaford/ for possible cancellation of service or for more information.
- 9. PASTORAL CARE: For urgent care, please contact the Rev. Brendon Bedford at brendonbedford@diohuron.org or 226-974-5060. For all other questions, concerns or other ministries, please call the office at 519-538-1330 or office@christchurchanglican.ca.

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Goldenaires Women's Choir presents Snowfall of Songs: a Holiday Concert on December 7, 2025 at 2pm at Meaford United Church. Directed by Cheryl Ross; admission by donation. www.goldenaires.ca.

THIS ADVENT, WHAT IF YOU READ AN ENTIRE **GOSPEL FROM START** TO FINISH?

Come and read it with us! Four readers will read aloud from the Gospel of Luke each week. Come and read, or just drop-in and listen throughout Advent, and hear the complete story.

Not a Bible study. Not a discussion group. Just hearing Good News, togther.

Wednesdays at 1:00 PM

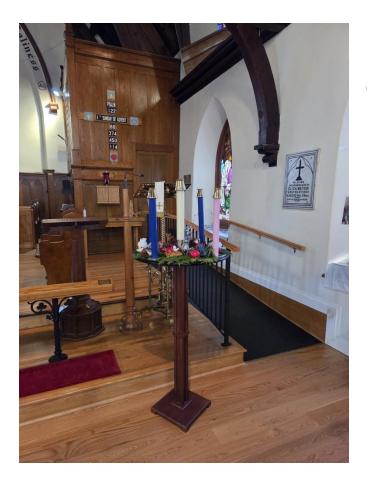




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 thank you all for sharing your gifts during Advent & Christmas.