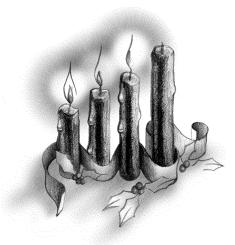


# **Eblast for December 10, 2025**

# Please join us SUNDAY for In Person Worship



The Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday – rose vestments are worn today)

December 14, 2025 Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM

Presided by: The Rev. Brendon Bedford, Priest & Rector

**The readings are**: Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 146:4-9 Or Canticle 18 (Luke 1:47-55); James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11.

## **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

 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 10<sup>th</sup>, 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.

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.



2. Don't forget about the Christmas Cookie Exchange this Sunday, occurring after the church service in the Parish Hall. Please bring in two dozen of your cookies in one container and provide a second container to take home your exchanged cookies. Cookies, tarts, squares -- all appreciated. If you would please fill out the Cookie Exchange sheet at the bottom of the eblast with the

name of your cookie, and possibly the recipe, if you're willing to share it, that would be great!

3. Get in the Christmas spirit by helping us decorate the church for the season on Saturday Dec. 13 at 10 am! The more the merrier and we'd appreciate any extra hands that might be able to join us!

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### 4. Repair Cafe

Don't miss out on the next Repair Cafe this <u>Saturday</u>, <u>December 13th</u>, running from 9:00am to 12noon in the Parish Hall. Please spread the word, to bring in any small item(s) that need fixing, instead of throwing away. Also, enjoy a cup of coffee while you're here.

#### 5. UPCOMING CHRISTMAS & EPHIPHANY SERVICES

Christmas Eve Choral & Candlelight	Thurs., Dec. 24	7:00 PM
Christmas Day, - Said, Holy Eucharist	Fri, Dec. 25	10:30 AM
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas – Choral	Sun., Dec 28	10:30 AM
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Christmas – Choral	Sun., Jan 4	10:30 AM
Epiphany of the Lord – Carol Sing	Tues., Jan 6	7:00 PM



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

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#### 7. We Have Talent in our Midst:

A huge thank you to Garry Minielly and his nephew, Rob Parker for their contributions to the beautiful votive stand – at the front of the church by the pulpit. Made of oak and taking approximately 80 hours to complete, we are so grateful for such talent and skill in this creation and gift to Christ Church. Thank you Rob and

**Garry.** See photos on following pages.

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## 8. 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:

Pyjamas Hygiene Packages Socks Underwear

Treat Bag Book Hobby item or Toy

Hat, Gloves and/or scarf monetary donations

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

9. 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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# 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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Our thanks to Rob
Parker and Garry
Minielly for their
creation and gift to
the church -our new Votive
stand, placed at
the front of the
church by the
pulpit on Sundays.
Light a candle as

Light a candle as a sign of your prayers to God or in memory of a loved one.



## Christmas Cookie Exchange

Cookie Name			-		
Gluten-free *	(circle one)	Y	N		
Vegan	(circle one)	Y	N		
Other	(circle one)	Y	N		
	,			Describe	
Ingredients					
Method					

<sup>\*</sup>Please note: If GF, we cannot confirm that made in a GF facility.