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Second Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 a.m. Service
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Inspiks. God's Glory, from Art in the Christian Tradition.

Sunday Services are at 8:30 a.m. (Traditional Rite)
10:00 a.m. (Contemporary)
Office Hours Mon to Thurs 9:30 am – 12:30 pm
Online Bible Study Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.

WELCOME TO ANGLICAN 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.

<p>10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Book of Alternative Services, p. 185</p>

Lay Eucharistic Minister – Sue Hamblin

Sidespeople – Elaine & Art Youngson

Ministry of the Chalice – Lydia French & Joan Hoffman

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 312 Sing a New Song Unto the Lord

Sentence of the Day: The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives.

Collect of the Day: O God, you have assured the human family of eternal life through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in him, 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 156 Dance with the Spirit

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Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin',
sing with the Spirit throughout the long day.
Work and hope for the new life abornin',
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-9

Jose Perñna Pratt

The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

Hear what the Spirit says to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 33: 1-12

Sue Hamblin

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous; *** it is good for the just to sing praises.**

Praise the Lord with the harp; *** play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.**

Sing for him a new song; *** sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.**

For the word of the Lord is right, * **and all his works are sure.**

He loves righteousness and justice; * **the loving-kindness of the Lord fills the whole earth.**

By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, * **by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.**

He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin * **and stores up the depths of the sea.**

Let all the earth fear the Lord; * **let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.**

For he spoke, and it came to pass; * **he commanded, and it stood fast.**

The Lord brings the will of the nations to naught; * **he thwarts the designs of the peoples.**

But the Lord's will stands fast for ever, * **and the designs of his heart from age to age.**

Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! * **happy the people he has chosen to be his own!**

Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25

Barb Gossman

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")- in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to

God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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

Gradual Hymn: CP 612 Healer of Our Every Ill

(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 Matthew.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Rev. Sr. Ingrid Andersen

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners." While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

(Please be seated)

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 – Lord, in your mercy.

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: MV 150 Spirit God, Be Our Breath (Embracing Change)

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Spirit God: be our breath, be our song.
Blow through us, bringing strength to move on.
Our world seems inward, defensive, withdrawn.
Spirit God, be our song.

Patient God: soothe our pride, calm our fear.
Comfort us. When we know you are near
we grow more certain, our vision is clear.
Patient God, calm our fear.

Loving God: be our voice, be our prayer.
Reaching out, joining hands as we share,
we seek your guidance through friendship and care.
Loving God, be our prayer.

Spirit God: be our breath, be our song.
Blow through us, bringing strength to move on.
Through change, through challenge, we'll greet the new dawn.
Spirit God, be our song.

Prayer over the Gifts: Merciful God and Father, in Adam's fall we were born to death; in the new Adam we are reborn to life. In all we offer you this day may we share a taste of your eternal kingdom. 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, Hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. 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 pow'r and the glory are yours now and forever. 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 gifts of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.**

The Communion:

Communion Anthem: Bread of Life, Feed My Soul *Sung by Choir*

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

Prayer after Communion: O God, we have shared in the mysteries of the body and blood of Christ. Nourish us by this feast, that we may live the risen life and serve you faithfully in the world. 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: VU 884 You Shall Go Out With Joy

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You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you;
There'll be shouts of joy and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands!

[Refrain] And all the trees of the field will clap their hands,
the trees of the field will clap their hands,
the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy.

Commissioning:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ!

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INTERCESSIONS

TODAY WE PRAY

For The Scottish Episcopal Church.

*We pray for our Primate Shane, John our Metropolitan,
Anna our Bishop, and Ingrid our Priest.*

*In the Western Peninsula & Gulf Islands region for
The Reverend Canon Blair Haggart and all in ministry at
St Mary Magdalene, Mayne Island.*

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 Don, Audrey, Cena, Andrew, Steve, Jim, John, Tina, Jenny, Jim, Wayne,
and Neil, and the residents and staff of Broadmead Lodge.*

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Genesis 18:1-15 (21:1-7); Psalm 116:1, 10-17; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:8

SHARED MINISTRY

Strawberry Tea, June 13, 10 am to 3 pm, Update: Thanks to everyone who has already signed up to make items for the bake table, to assist with set-up on Friday evening, June 13th, and to help during the Tea and with the clean-up after the event. For everyone who is baking, you can pick up paper trays and baggies to wrap your items from Liz Garland after church on Sunday or from the church office, Monday to Thursday, 9:30am to 1:30 pm. This is a popular feature of the Tea, and so anyone who enjoys baking is invited to contribute. We still need help, especially on the day of the Tea as follows: serving our patrons (bringing coffee, tea and shortcake to the tables), clearing and resetting the tables and coming at 3 pm to help with the clean-up after the event. If you can help in any of these ways, please add your name to the sign-up sheets on the entranceway table. If you would like to know more before you sign up, please see Mary Wills after church this Sunday or contact Mary at maryewills@outlook.com. Let's make this a wonderful event for our parish and for our wider community!

Safe Church – Terry is leading another Safe Church training for anyone who missed the last one. It will be held on Tuesday, June 9th at 5:45 pm in the St. John's Room. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex or you can notify Terry or the office directly about attending.

From the Parish Library - On the Top Shelf this week is *The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World*, a week of conversations between His Holiness the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. Check last Thursday's newsletter.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

June 9 Parish Council Mtg, St. John's Rm, 7 pm (note time)

Jun 10 Community Coffee Social, 9:30 am-11 am

Jun 12 Strawberry Tea Prep Day

Jun 13 STRAWBERRY TEA & CRAFT SALE, 10 am – 3 pm

Jun 16-July 2 – Sr. Ingrid away

Jun 25 Prayer Shawl Mtg, St. John's Rm, 10 am

Jul 4 Spanish Service & Potluck, 6 pm (no Taizé Service)

Jul 5 Pride Sunday Service, 10 am

Jul 11 Agnes Richardson's Funeral & Reception, 2 pm

Jul 12 Pride Parade, downtown

Jul 21 Parish Council Mtg, St. John's Rm, 6:45 pm

Jul 23 Prayer Shawl Mtg, St. John's Rm, 10 am

Jul 25 Spanish Service & Potluck, 6 pm

Jul 26 Combined Service, 10 am