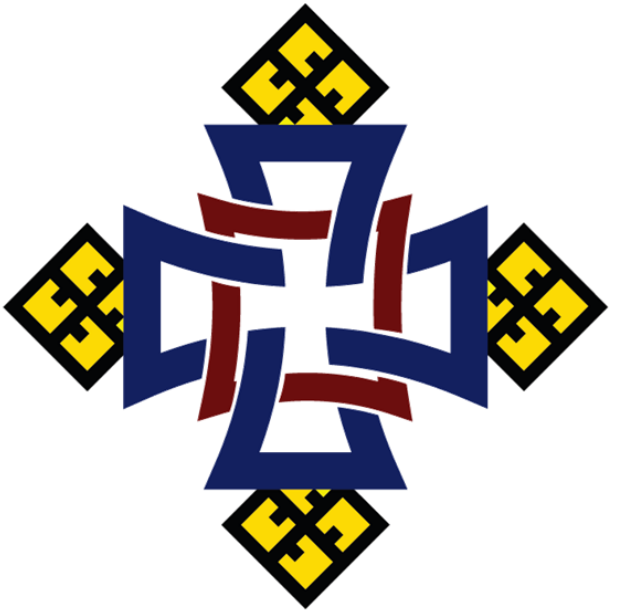
Holy Eucharist
Remembrance Sunday
November 8, 2026



St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church

Diocese of New Westminster

Located on the unceded land of the Musqueam,
Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh nations

Welcome!

If you are new here or visiting, please stay after worship for refreshments and conversation.

This booklet will guide you through the service. As you are comfortable, please join in singing the songs as well as in saying together the words printed in bold type.

If you would like to request prayers, please write the names of those to be remembered in the book on the small table in the prayer corner.

Communion is in both kinds (bread and wine). All are welcome at the table, and no one is required to take communion. Participants are welcome to consume only bread. Please do not dip the bread in the wine.

At St. Mary Magdalene's, we strive to live out our Holy Baptism promises to "seek and serve Christ in all persons," to "strive for justice and peace among all people," respecting the "dignity of every human being," and safeguarding the "integrity of God's creation."

Thank you for joining us today.

Walk with Us

Financial support from members and guests is essential for us to continue to be a place of healing and welcome for all.

Here's how you can give:

Sunday morning
Cash or a cheque in the plate. Regular donors get envelopes to ensure tax receipts.
Tap is now available at the back of the church.

Monthly
Sign up for **pre-authorized debit** to have a monthly donation transferred directly from your bank account. See Tasha or Ann for details.

We issue tax receipts for donations of $20 or more.

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The Gathering of the Community

Most Anglican services begin with a procession led by a cross. That doesn't work well with the space at St. Mary Mags. Instead, we are experimenting with bringing the bread and wine for Holy Communion to signal the beginning of worship.

We gather in worship because we can't love in isolation. The Christian tradition is profoundly relational. We also gather to learn from and support each other.

Song **#553 Ubi Caritas**
Ubi caritas et amor,
Ubi caritas, Deus ibi est

Live in charity and steadfast love,
Live in charity; God will dwell in you.

Text: Taizé Community
Music: Jacques Berthier

Anglican worship is embodied: we vary our posture by standing and sitting, and some people use gestures such as crossing themselves or bowing their heads at the name of Jesus.

Presider: Blessed be the One who creates all things.
All: **The Holy One's love is new every morning.**
Presider: As we gather on the unceded and ancestral lands of the Coast Salish Nations, let us pray that Christ's grace and peace will be with us.
All: **May we be ministers of the reconciling love of our Creator.**

Prayer of the Day

Presider: Brighten your Church, O God,
All: **with the promise of your kingdom, and waken our hearts to its light. Bid us hasten with faith undimmed to greet the bridegroom's return and join the wedding feast. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen**

The Prayer of the Day, more commonly called the Collect, reflects a theme drawn from the readings.

Opening Prayers (1997) alt.

Proclamation of the Word

Sunday readings are from the Revised Common Lectionary, a three-year cycle of readings that ensure that major themes and events are revisited each year.

First Reading

Reader: A reading from the Book of Wisdom (Wisdom 3:1-9)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.
All: **Thanks be to God.**
Silence is kept.

Psalm 116:1-8

1 I love the Lord *
who has heard the voice of my supplication,
2 who has listened to me *
whenever I called.
3 The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.
4 Then I called upon the name of the Lord: *
"O Lord, I pray you, save my life."
5 Gracious is the Lord and righteous; *
our God is full of compassion.
6 The Lord watches over the innocent; *
I was brought very low, and the Lord helped me.
7 Turn again to your rest, O my soul, *
for the Lord has treated you well.
8 For you, O Lord, have rescued my life from death, *
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling.

Second Reading

Reader: A reading from the first letter of Peter (1 Peter 1:3-9)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.
All: **Thanks be to God.**
Silence is kept.

Song **#92 O Day of God Draw Nigh**

1. O day of God, draw nigh
in beauty and in power;
come with thy timeless judgement now,
to match our present hour.

2. Bring to our troubled minds,
uncertain and afraid,
the quiet of a steadfast faith,
calm of a call obeyed.

3. Bring justice to our land,
that all may dwell secure,
and finely build for days to come
foundations that endure.

4. Bring to our world of strife
thy sovereign word of peace,
that war may haunt the earth no more
and desolation cease.

5.O day of God, draw nigh
as at creation's birth;
let there be light again, and set
thy judgements in the earth.

"Those who sing pray twice." Attributed to St. Augustine, the idea is that singing includes words (intellect and meaning) and music (emotion and spirit). Together they unite heart and mind in praise and contemplation.

Text: R.B.Y. Scott
Music: James Hopkirk

Gospel Reading

Reader: May God be with you.
All: **And also with you.**
Reader: The Holy Gospel of Jesus according to John. (John 6:37-40)
All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.
All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Some people make a small cross on their forehead, lips and heart, a silent prayer: "May the Gospel be in my mind, on my lips, and in my heart."

We are invited to stand and turn to face the Gospel because Jesus' words and life hold special meaning for us.

Reflection The Rev. Tasha Carrothers

Following a period of silence, all are invited to share a brief thought or story evoked by the readings or the reflection. A copy of the reflection is available at the back of the church.

Song **# 621 Before the World Began**

1. Before the world began,
one Word was there;
grounded in God he was,
rooted in care;
by him all things were made,
in him was love displayed;
through him God spoke, and said,
"I AM FOR YOU."

2. Life found in him its source;
death found its end;
light found in him its course,
darkness its friend,
for neither death nor doubt
nor darkness can put out
the glow of God, the shout:
"I AM FOR YOU."

3. The Word was in the world
which from him came;
unrecognized he was,
unknown by name;
one with all humankind,
with the unloved aligned,
convincing sight and mind:
"I AM FOR YOU."

4. All who received the Word
by God were blessed;
sisters and brothers, they
of earth's fond guest.
So did the Word of grace
proclaim in time and space
and with a human face,
"I AM FOR YOU."

Text and Music: John L Bell

Affirmation of Faith

Presider: Let us declare our trust as we say,

All: **You, O God, are Creator of all,**
by whom every being in heaven and earth
is fashioned, named, and sustained.
You call us each by name.

You, O God, are Living Word,
who came and pitched your tent with us,
lived and died and rose again.
You speak to us now through faith.

You, O God, are Holy Spirit,
who comforts, strengthens, and inspires,
sending us forth to share your love.
You are the breath of grace.

You, O God, are Trinity:
Creator, Word, Spirit;
artist, healer, friend.

You are holy mystery.
We worship you. Amen.

Most Anglican congregations recite the Nicene Creed or the Apostle's Creed as the way to hand on the faith of the church. At St. Mary Mags we usually recite an authorized affirmation of faith that uses contemporary language.

Prayers of the Community

Please stand or sit as you prefer for prayer.

In the prayers of the community, the people join their prayers to bring to God the needs of the Church, the world, and all who are in need. There is a book on the front hall table where you can add names of people for whom you would like prayer.

Confession and Absolution

Presider: Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners
and invites them to this table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Christians believe that we all fail in love in some way. Confession not about grovelling—it is about recognizing that we are caught in distorted relationships that separate us from God, from others, and from creation. We confess together because sin and forgiveness are not private matters only but realities that affect the whole community.

Presider: Most merciful God,
All: **we confess that we have sinned against you**
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
People: **Amen.**

The Peace
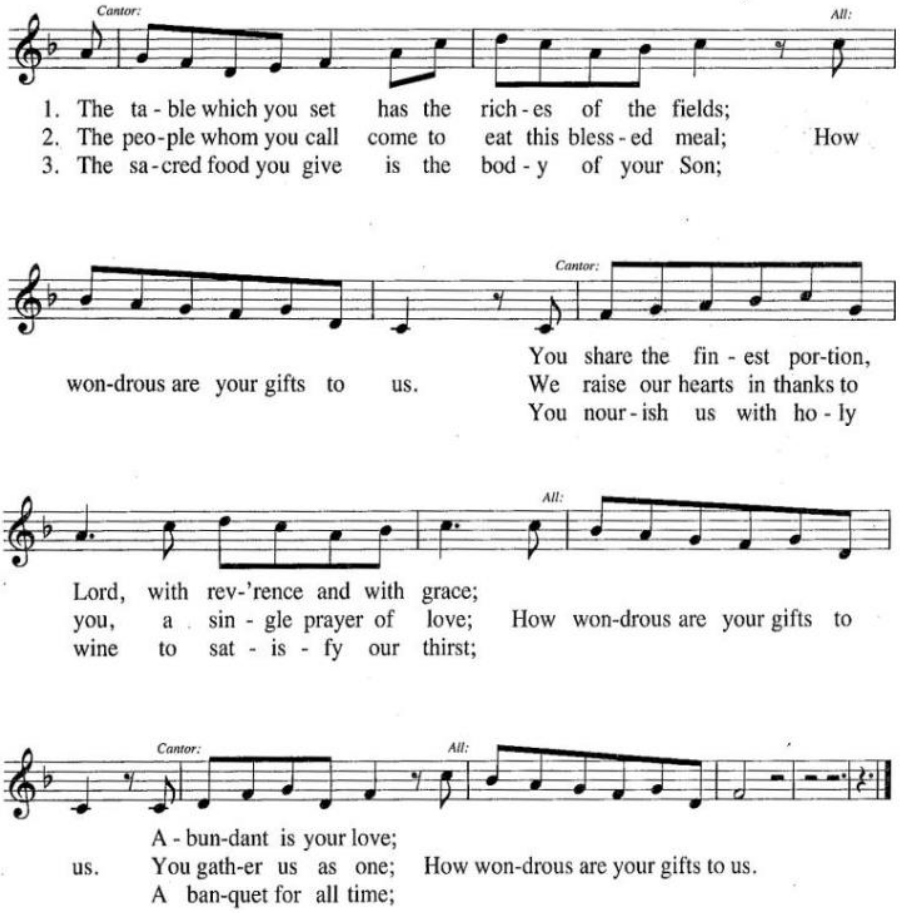
Presider: The peace of God be with you all.
All: **And also with you.**
We share the peace of God with one another with a gesture of greeting.

"The Peace is an encounter, a reconciliation, and an anticipation." We are reminded that we encounter Christ is others. We affirm that we are reconciled with each other before receiving communion. We act out the peace and unity of God's kingdom. (BAS p 177)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Financial offerings can be placed in the plate or made through tap. Both are near the main entrance to the church.

Song **Table Prayer**



Text & Music: Mike Balhoff, Gary Daigle, Darryl Ducote

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: Merciful God,
All: as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills
were gathered together to become one bread,
so let your church be gathered together
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,
for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ,
now and for ever. Amen.
Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

Anglicans value beauty, so we use images, candles, flowers and hangings to make the setting special. We also value the created world, so the elements are real: real candles, real flowers, real bread and wine.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: May God be with you.
All: **And also with you**
Presider: Lift up your hearts.
All: **We lift them up to God.**
Presider: Let us give thanks to God our Creator.
All: **We give our thanks and praise.**

The opening dialogue confirms that the people wish to continue with communion. The priest cannot go ahead without the people's involvement.

Presider: Holy God, Lover of creation,
we give you thanks and praise
for in the ocean of your steadfast love
you bear us and place the song of your
Spirit in our hearts.

Eucharist is Greek for thanksgiving. Every Great Thanksgiving prayer includes four basic elements.

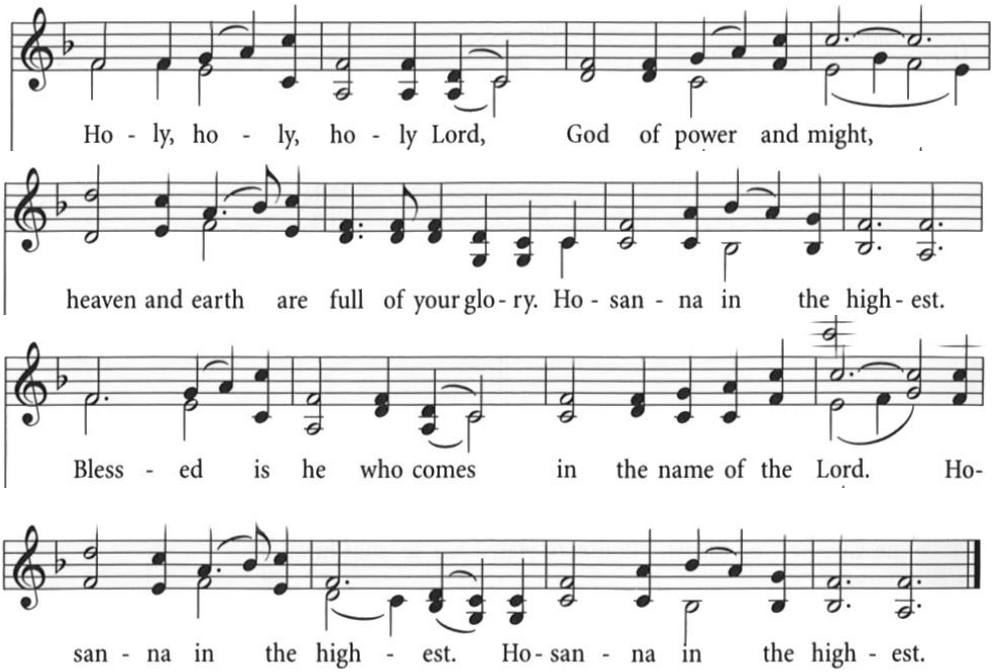
1. We give God thanks and praise

When we turn from your love
and defile the earth,
you do not abandon us.

2. We remember that God has been with us since the beginning, despite our alienating behaviour, (con't)

Your Spirit speaks through
Huldah and Micah, through prophets,
sages, and saints in every age,
to confront our sin and reveal the vision
of your new creation.

Joining in the song of the universe
we proclaim your glory singing:



Presider: Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent
Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity.
Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection
you open the path from brokenness to health,
from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to
reverence for you.

(con't) and that God continues to heal, free, and renew all of Creation (including us!)

Rejected by a world that could not bear
the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near.
His head anointed for burial
by an unknown woman,
Jesus gathered together those who loved him.
He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it
and gave it to his friends, saying,
"Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

3. We tell the story of Jesus' last meal

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,
gave you thanks, and said
"Drink this all of you,
this is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for all people.
Whenever you drink it, do this for the
remembrance of me."

The "new covenant" deepens God's existing relationship with God's people.

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment,
to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love,
and to proclaim our faith.

All: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again**.

Presider: Breathe your Holy Spirit,
the wisdom of the universe,
upon these gifts that we bring to you:
this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies,
that we may be signs of your love for all the world
and ministers of your transforming purpose.

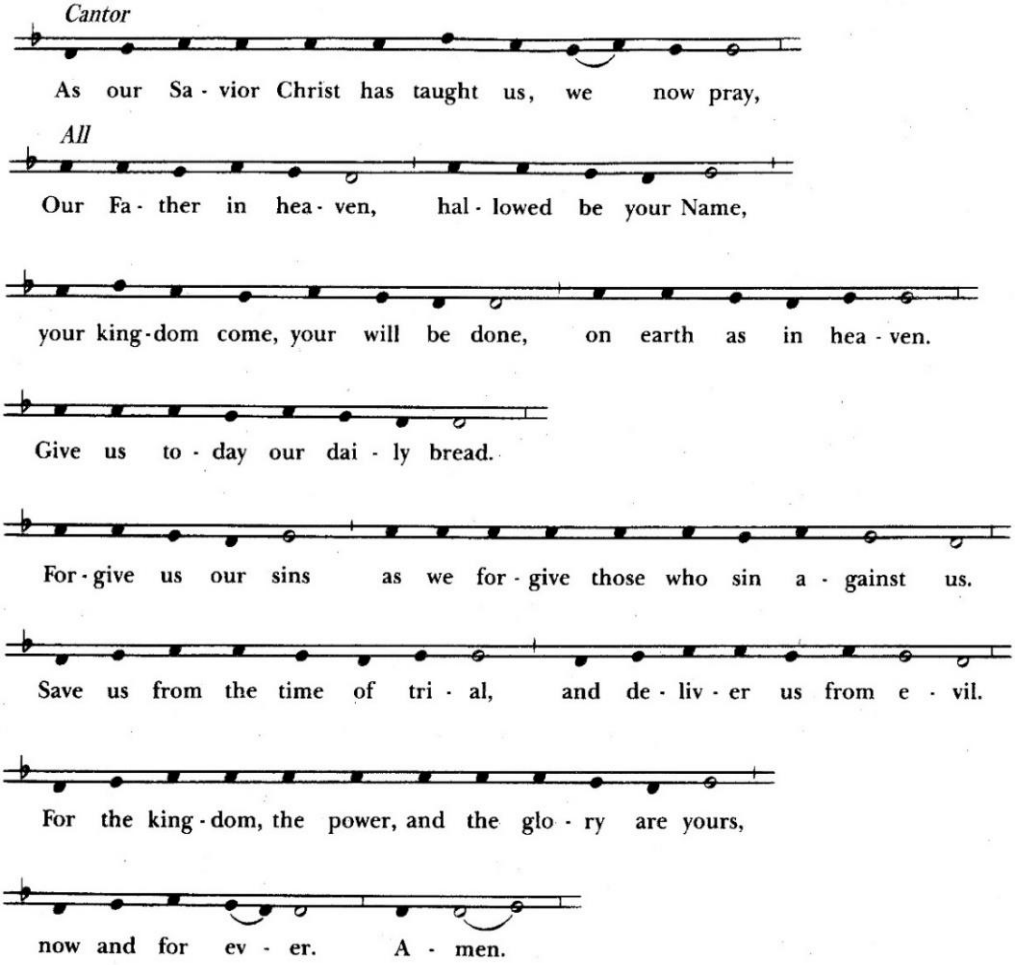
4. We ask God to send the Holy Spirit to bless and make holy both us and the bread and wine.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours,
Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever.

All: **Amen.**

As with the opening dialogue, the people's *Amen* is essential.

The Lord's Prayer



Breaking of the Bread

Presider: We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All: **We, being many, are one body,**
for we all share in the one bread.

Communion

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please remain at your places. The consecrated bread and wine will be brought around to all who wish. Everyone is welcome at the table.

Sending Out of the Disciples

Prayer after Communion

Presider: O God, our life, our strength, our food,
All: we give you thanks for sustaining us
with the body and blood of your Son.
By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world,
so that more and more we will give you praise
and serve your earth and its many peoples,
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,
All: **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.**

Doxology: Greek for glory/praise + word/saying. Often found at the end of prayers or worship, doxologies are expressions of gratitude for all that God gives us. This doxology is from Ephesians 3:20-21.

Blessing

The Blessing confirms something that is already true: that God loves and supports us.

Song **#528 O God, Our Help in Ages Past**

1. O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home.

2. Under the shadow of thy throne
thy saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defence is sure.

3. Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received its frame,
from everlasting thou art God,
to endless years the same.

4. A thousand ages in thy sight
are like an evening gone,
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.

5. Time like an ever-rolling stream
bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the opening day.

6. O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.

Text: Isaac Watts
Music: William Croft

Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve God's world.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Christian worship leads naturally into Christian service. We take the love and acceptance we have found here and offer the same to the people we encounter in our everyday lives.

We are told to "Go!" but please stick around for coffee or tea; you've got the whole rest of the week ahead of you.

This Week at St. Mary Mags

Weds, Nov. 11	12 noon	Centering Prayer
	12:30 pm	Holy Communion
Fri, Nov. 13	12:00pm	Drum Circle
Sun, Nov. 15	10:30 am	Holy Communion
	12:15ish	Lord's Prayer group study

Next Sunday's Readings

November 15th | Pentecost

Judges 4:1-7; Psalm 123; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30

Announcements

Lord, teach us to pray. This fall's study series is on the **Lord's Prayer**. We say it every Sunday. Some of us were taught to say it by heart every night at bedtime. But just what are we praying for? Drop in for excellent discussion. **Sundays** ending November 15.

No cash? No problem. Tap to donate is now available at the back of the church.

Sign up to help lead worship! Everyone—new and old—is welcome to help lead worship. Some roles are simple, like reading. Others are more complex, like liturgical assistant. We particularly need greeters to welcome people as they arrive on Sunday morning. Don't be intimidated—Tasha can get you orientated. Sign up in the front hall; talk to Tasha if you have any questions.

The Art of the Organ: From French Romanticism to Caribbean Voices
Discover the organ's extraordinary expressive power with acclaimed organist Maria Gajraj in a captivating journey from French Romanticism to Caribbean musical heritage. Featuring works by Liszt, Debussy, Vierne, and contemporary composers, the programme moves from dramatic virtuosity to atmospheric soundscapes. At its heart is the Vancouver première of Pastorale by Caribbean composer Edward Margetson, whose music championed racial equality. **Friday November 20th, 7:30pm.** Visit sjmusic.ca for details.

Pizza and Polish? Our annual "clean everything before the visitors arrive" is back on **Nov. 22.** Stay for about an hour after worship to help prepare the space for Advent. There will be pizza!

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