

# THE CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

Anglican Parish of Colwood and Langford

Our 25<sup>th</sup> Year Ministering From Our Mt. View Building

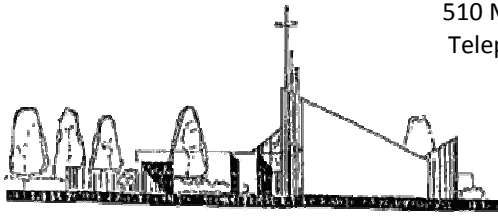
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*The Right Reverend James A. J. Cowan, Bishop*

*The Reverend Kenneth J. Gray, Priest and Rector*

*He came singing love  
and he lived singing love;  
he died singing love.  
He arose in silence.  
For the love to go on  
we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.*

Colin Gibson

**Sunday Services** are at 8:30 a.m. (Traditional Rite) and  
at 10:00 a.m. (Contemporary with Children's Activity)

**Jazz Vespers** occurs on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month

We gather for **Centering Prayer** Saturday Mornings at  
9:30 a.m.

**Office Hours** are Monday through Friday from 9:30-11:30 a.m.

*The Church of the Advent through the Anglican Diocese of BC is committed to  
creating and maintaining a safe community in every respect including our ministry  
with vulnerable persons such as children, seniors and persons with special challenges*

***TOGETHER IN MINISTRY, OUTREACH AND PRESENCE***

*We at the Church of the Advent strive to be an open and affirming community of Christians welcoming anyone seeking companionship, spiritual nourishment, opportunity for worship and, as Christ directs us, to engage with and provide for the poor and vulnerable in local and global communities.*

***TOGETHER IN PRAYER***

*We offer these intercessions to God at our Sunday worship services and in our home devotions daily during the week for the church in the world; in our diocese; and in our local community.*

**Today we pray**

FOR the Diocese of Virginia - (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Shannon Johnston

FOR Fred, our Primate, James, our Bishop, S. Margaret of Scotland, Galiano Island & S. Mary Magdalene, Mayne Island - Ellen & Rob Willingham

FOR our companion Diocese of Sittwe

IN THE SELKIRK REGION for Holy Trinity Sooke, Alex Nagy, Nancy Nagy, Wally Eamer

**For those who have asked us to pray for them**

Holly; Haley; Sheila; Duncan & Celina; Nicole; Elizabeth; Audrey; Mollie; Jim; Sy; Irmeli; Esme Batchelor

**For those who mourn**

The family of Beatrice Hives (Mother of Dode Jarvis, service Monday, 1 p.m.)

The family of Maureen Nelson (service Tuesday at 11 a.m.)

***8:30 a.m. Holy Communion***  
*Book of Common Prayer, p. 67*

*Rev. Ken Gray presides and preaches today*

Ephesians 1:15-23 **Len Enns**

Matthew 25:31- 46 **Gary Olmstead**

**10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist**  
*Book of Alternative Services, p. 185*

*Rev. Ken Gray presides and preaches today - Liturgical assistant is Mike Armstrong*

*Unless you are on call for emergency purposes or require special equipment for hearing or seeing, please turn off all electronic communication devices until the conclusion of the service.*

*Hard-of-hearing equipment is available - enquire at the door*

*Flowers in the church today are given by Pat Leonard to the Glory of God in memory of Paul Batryn who died November 21<sup>st</sup> 2010*

**THE COMMUNITY GATHERS**

Hymn **383 Jesus Shall Reign**

The Greeting

**Rev. Ken Gray**

Medley

**Quartetto**

♪ **Spirit of life, come unto me,  
Sing in my heart, all the stirrings of compassion.  
Blow in the wind, Rise in the sea;  
Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.  
Roots hold me close; wings set me free,  
Spirit of life, come to me, come to me.**

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♪ **I will never forget you my people,  
I have carved you on the palm of My hand,  
I will never forget you,  
I will not leave you orphaned,  
I will never forget my own...**

**Does a mother forget her baby,  
Or a woman the child within her womb,  
Yet even if these forget,  
Yes even if these forget,  
I will never forget my own.**

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Our daily prayer

**Rev. Ken Gray**

**THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD**

Reading	Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24	<b>Pat McKenzie</b>
Psalm	100	P. 838
Reading	Ephesians 1:15-23	<b>Barb McDowell</b>
Hymn	<b>520 The King Of Love My Shepherd Is</b>	
Gospel	Matthew 25:31- 46	<b>Stan Parker</b>
Sermon-Song		<b>Rev. Ken Gray</b>

♪ He came singing love  
and he lived singing love;  
he died singing love.  
He arose in silence.  
For the love to go on  
we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

He came singing hope  
and he lived singing hope;  
he died singing hope.  
He arose in silence.  
For the hope to go on  
we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

He came singing faith  
and he lived singing faith;  
he died singing faith.  
He arose in silence.  
For the Faith to go on.  
we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

He came singing peace  
and he lived singing peace;  
he died singing peace.  
He arose in silence.  
For the peace to go on  
we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

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The Prayers  
The Peace

**Kathie Gray**  
**The Congregation**

#### THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

#### Offertory Hymn

EAT THIS BREAD AND NEVER HUNGER  
DRINK THIS CUP AND NEVER THIRST;  
CHRIST INVITES US TO THE TABLE  
WHERE THE LAST BECOME THE FIRST.

Asking for a cup of water,  
Jesus touched forbidden ground;  
and the woman with a question,  
told the world what she had found.

Walking down a desert highway;  
Jesus healed a man born blind;  
soon the man became a witness  
so the truth we seek and find.

Weeping for his friend at graveside,  
 Jesus felt the pain of death;  
 Yet he knew God's power to waken;  
 Living water, living breath.

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*Sidespersons: Ed & Evelyn Robinson*

Prayer of Thanksgiving 4 P. 201  
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 The Breaking of the Bread and the Communion (2) P. 212

*Distributors: Glenna Seppala; Nancy Baal; Kerry Blain*

*During Communion: **Make Your Home in Me** (F. White – Australia)*

Prayer after Communion P. 214

Announcements **The Gang**

Closing Hymn **425 Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee**

*Refreshments are served in the hall*

<b><i>THIS WEEK at the Church of the Advent:</i></b>		
<b>Tonight</b>	7:00 p.m.	JAZZ VESPERS
<b>Monday</b>	10:00 a.m.	WHATSEWEVER sewing ministry
	1:00 p.m.	FUNERAL for BEATRICE HIVES (Chapel)
	7:30 p.m.	QUARTETTO rehearses
<b>Tuesday</b>	11:00 a.m.	FUNERAL for MAUREEN NELSON (Church)
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:30 a.m.	Morning service of HOLY COMMUNION
	Noon	MONTHLY LUNCH
	6:30 p.m.	CONTEMPLATIVE EUCHARIST followed by Rolheiser <b>Missionaries To Our Own Children</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	7:30 p.m.	PARISH CHOIR
<b>Saturday</b>	9:30 a.m.	CENTERING PRAYER
	4-5:30 p.m.	MESSY CHURCH
<b>Next Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m.	COMBINED WORSHIP in the large Sanctuary
		Celebration programme with finger food after church

***MARK YOUR CALENDARS***

Dec 4 WHITE RIBBON SUNDAY  
 Dec 18 Every-member CHRISTMAS PAGEANT  
 Dec 24 CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES  
 Dec 25 Single service on CHRISTMAS DAY at 10:30 a.m.

# *JAZZ VESPERS*

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*The Church of the Advent is thrilled to welcome back the remarkable Phil Dwyer and Ken Lister for its November installment of the enormously successful Jazz Vespers series. Having played with musical luminaries too numerous to mention, these two jazz masters bring a wealth of experience and talent that make this a "must see" musical event.*

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*TONIGHT at 7 p.m.*

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## **CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR**

Wow! Another successful day! We thank all those hard working parishioners – the kitchen staff (too many to name!), the shoppers, the bakers, those who enjoyed the fabulous lunch, and the clean-up crew. Thankyou one and all – from your Craft Fair team – Mary Wills, Kathy Middleton, Donna Brandle, Barb Gossman & Liz Garland.

## **WEDNESDAY LUNCH**

Our Ladies Guild final lunch for 2011 will be held this Wednesday, the 28<sup>th</sup> – 12 noon to 1 p.m. \$7 person. Come enjoy a yummy soup, assorted sandwiches, and a delicious dessert. Why not treat a friend! Next lunch – Jan. 25, 2012.

## **NEXT SUNDAY WE CELEBRATE TWENTY-FIVE YEARS IN THIS BUILDING**

Following a **single service at 10 a.m.** there will be a reception in the hall with a POT LUCK lunch. Please bring your favorite finger food (such as: sandwiches, veggies & dip; cheese platter; devilled eggs; sausage rolls; chicken wings; use your imagination). 2 cakes will be provided for dessert.

## **ANNIVERSARY 25( NOTE 22 - Low bidder did not get the job.**

In 1985, we went to public tender and received several bids for the new Church and Hall. When the bids were opened, the lowest bid was from a local contractor, Wheaton Construction, who, as it happened, had plans to build a marina in a small bay adjoining an Indian reserve just north of Victoria. The Tsawout Indian Band had lived under the threat of the marina for twelve years and vehemently opposed the proposal. The Diocese of British Columbia

supported the Tsawout Indian Band in their dispute with Wheaton Construction. How could the Parish of Colwood and Langford award the contract to the low bidder, Wheaton Construction? A series of meetings were convened and it was decided to award the construction contract to the second low bidder, Kinetic Construction. The Rector's Warden smiled and, without a pause, replied, "The final outcome was that we, as a parish, having been put to the test, have been immeasurably strengthened in our faith and understanding."

**ADVENT CAROL SERVICE at the Cathedral**

Christ Church Cathedral invites you to join us on Sunday afternoon, November 27 at 4:30pm, as we celebrate the beginning of the season of Advent with our ADVENT CAROL SERVICE. This special service is one of our most beautiful and moving liturgies. The readings, hymns and carols of Advent are sung in the form of a Candlelight Procession around the cathedral which grows from quiet darkness to a celebration of Christ's light coming into our world. The lessons will be read by local civic leaders. Please come and help us celebrate Advent... the liturgical New Year!

**PARISH FINANCIAL POSITION - to the end of October**

<b>September 2011</b>	<b>Actual 2011</b>	<b>Budget 2011</b>	<b>Actual 2010</b>
Total income	\$35,068	\$19,972	\$24,798
Total expenses	\$35,688	\$19,551	\$23,028
Total Net Income	<b>-\$620</b>	<b>-\$420</b>	<b>\$1,770</b>
<b>October 2011</b>			
Total income	\$22,421	\$23,898	\$23,251
Total expenses	\$19,627	\$20,333	\$19,665
Total Net Income	<b>\$2,794</b>	<b>\$3,565</b>	<b>\$3,586</b>
<b>October YTD</b>			
Total income from operating	\$265,164	\$185,667	\$186,418
Total operating expenses	\$212,187	\$190,746	\$198,209
Total income from operations	<b>\$1,977</b>	<b>-\$5,079</b>	<b>-\$11,791</b>
Income from bequest	\$51,000		
<b>Total net income</b>	<b>\$52,977</b>		

In September, the memorial garden expense as well as the costs for the narthex wall repair (from 2010) flowed through the month. We also recognized the corresponding revenue so the overall effect on net income was zero. Offerings are up slightly, but so is our spending.

For October, overall revenue is down compared to budget. Offerings were up, but festive giving was down substantially. As well, there was a drop in revenue from the book sale compared to 2010. The lower revenue was mitigated by lower spending giving us a net income of \$2,794.

YTD – ignoring the income from bequests, we are still well ahead of our 2011 budget. Gowan Armstrong, Treasurer

***FINALLY - and we do mean FINALLY***

Contact the office if you are interested in some office furniture (for a small donation, or FREE) Treasurer Gowan Armstrong has been able to obtain some new and versatile office furniture for us so we have some perfectly good furniture to pass on to the right person or place.

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***WE WANT TO KNOW YOU ... but we need to be able to contact you, so ...***

If you are a newcomer, or if we can help in any way, please let us know. Please fill in the relevant information and give it to a Sidesperson or place it on the collection plate. ***Completion of the following information indicates your consent for this parish to gather this information and to use it for reasonable purposes of the church under The Privacy of Information Act.***

- NEWCOMER            CHANGE OF ADDRESS            COURSE INFORMATION
- HELP                SETUP CONTRIBUTIONS            YOUTH CONNECTION

Name	
Address	Postal Code
Email	Phone