

Church of the Advent

Anglican Christian Witness on Victoria's Westshore

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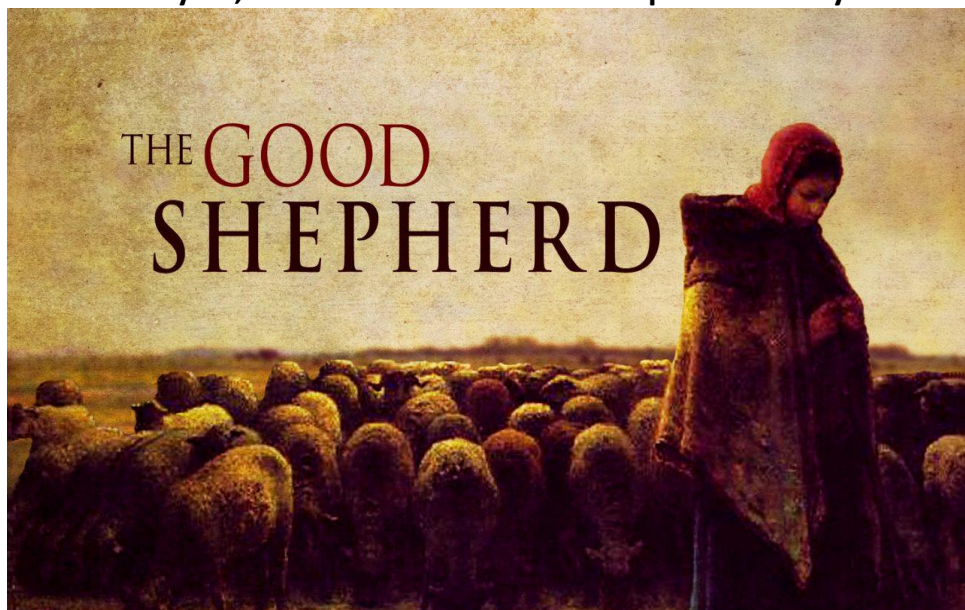
***Together in Christ we seek to love God
and to love and serve all others***

The Right Rev. Dr. Logan McMenamie, Bishop

The Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover, Rector

The Rev. Dr. Paul Schumacher, Associate Priest

May 12, 2019 – Easter 4 & Good Shepherd Sunday



Sunday Services are at 8:30 a.m. (Traditional Rite)
10:00 a.m. (Contemporary)

Office Hours are Mon to Thurs, 9:00-Noon; **Closed Friday.**
Celtic Eucharist and Gospel Discussion Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

If you are a newcomer, 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.

Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover preaches & presides today.

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion Book of Common Prayer, p. 67
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Acts 9:36-43

Psalms 23 Pg. 356

Revelation 7:9-17

John 10:22-30

Administrator

William Dolan

William Dolan

Jill Dolan

Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Joy Flath

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

Liturgical Assistant is Mike Armstrong
Sidespeople are Lorne & Sheila Dearsley
Director of Music is Nell Howard

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Leader: As we meet together, we begin by remembering the Lekwungen people, 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 together, we remember those who have called this place their home in recent years—the community of faith known as Church of the Advent, whose joyful spirit embraces us. Now let us greet one another with words and signs of welcome.

Sentence of the Day: I am the good shepherd, says the Lord: I know my own and my own know me.

Opening Hymn: CP 600 You Call Us Out to Praise You

Greeting:

Come, let us gather together in God's house.

Let us hear of God's love.

Come, let us draw near to God.

Let us rest in God's love.

Come, let us worship our God.

Let us praise God's love!

Hymn of Praise: CP 244 We Walk by Faith, and Not by Sight

Collect of the Day: Shepherd of all, **by laying down your life for your flock you reveal your love for all.** Lead us from the place of death to the place of abundant life, so that, guided by your care for us, we may rightly offer our lives in love for you and our neighbour. Amen.

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

Chat @ the Chancel:



Children's Hymn: Hey Now! Singing Hallelujah!

Hey now! Singing Hallelujah!

Hey now! The morning has come. Hey now!

Singing Hallelujah!

The tomb was empty at the rising sun.

Jesus loved people and he made them friends.

Hey now the tomb was empty.

He called all the children and the women and men.

Hey now the tomb was empty. ***(Refrain)***

Jesus healed people and he helped them be well.
Hey now the tomb was empty.
He taught about God with the stories he'd tell.
Hey now the tomb was empty. **(Refrain)**

Jesus had powers and they said he was a king.
Hey now the tomb was empty.
He turned all the tables on everything.
Hey now the tomb was empty. **(Refrain)**

Jesus had powers and they took him away.
Hey now the tomb was empty.
They nailed him to a cross and they killed him one day.
Hey now the tomb was empty. **(Refrain)**

Reading: Acts 9:36-43

Mary Wills

Psalm: 23 "The Lord's My Shepherd" By Stuart Townend

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
His goodness restores my soul.

***And I will trust in You alone,
And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.***

He guides my ways in righteousness,
And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights. **(Refrain)**

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know. **(Refrain)**

Reading: *Revelation 7:9-17*

Joan Hoffman

Gospel Hymn: CP 612 Healer of Our Every Ill

(Verses 1 & 2 before the Gospel; verses 3 & 4 following.)

Gospel: *John 10:22-30*

Lydia French

Gospel Hymn Cont'd:

Sermon:

Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Affirmation of Faith: "Apostles Creed"

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RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayers of the People:

Kathy Middleton

Confession & Absolution:

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Peace:

CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: CP 565 Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

Prayer over the Gifts: God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer #5:

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Sanctus:

Lord's Prayer: (David Haas)

Fraction #8:

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Invitation to Communion: *Friends, this is the joyful feast of unity. Christ has gathered his people around the earth to commune at this table. And so, come: you from the East and you from the West, from the North and from the South. Come. Come with your doubts, come with your hopes, come with your inadequacies and with your strengths. Come, for this is a table where all are invited, and all are welcome.*

*Music During Communion: **The Good Shepherd** By Zebulon Highben*

*Communion Distributors: **Lydia French & TBA***

Prayer after Communion: God of steadfast love, **watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son. May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.**

Doxology:

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SENDING FORTH

Commissioning Hymn: CP 578 O Healing River

Commissioning: Go now, following the voice of the shepherd. Devote yourselves to the works of God, to words of mercy, to good deeds and to acts of love.

We go in peace proclaiming the Risen Lord. Alleluia.

Coffee, tea, and juice are served in the Main Hall after the service.



TODAY WE PRAY

Pray for the Anglican Church of Korea & The Most Revd Moses Nagjun Yoo (Primate of Korea and Bishop of Daejeon).

For Fred our Primate, Melissa our Metropolitan, Logan our Bishop, Sandra our Rector, & Paul our Associate Priest.

For S. David-by-the-Sea, Cordova Bay & S. Peter, Lakehill (Rector Ed Lewis).

For the Diocese of Yukon (Bishop Larry Robertson).

In the Selkirk Region for Military Chaplaincies,

Lt Cdr (N) John Hounsell-Drover.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

Joan, Maureen, Brad & Aila, Elmer & Alice,

Ben & Sarah, Shaun, Rodger, Ariana & Dane, Bill, Sharon, Doug & Renee, & Olivia.

SHARED MINISTRY

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, May 14 – Whatsewewe, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, May 15 - Mid-week Eucharist, 10 a.m;

Yes We Can!, 1:30 p.m.; Choir at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 17 – Scrapbooking Scrappers, 9:30 a.m.; Office is closed;
Rev. Sandra's day off.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Acts 11:1-18; Ps 148; Rev 21:1-6; John 13:31-35

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

May 15: Yes, We Can! at 1 p.m.

May 20: Victoria Day; office is closed.

May 21: Parish Council Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Chapel.

May 22: Ladies Guild Luncheon, noon to 1 p.m.

May 25: Messy Church, 4 – 6 p.m.

Jun. 8: Strawberry Tea & Craft Fair

Jun. 19: Yes, We Can! At 1 p.m.

Jul. 5-12: Church Camp at Parry's, Parksville

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAFE CHURCH WORKSHOP – Church of the Advent is hosting the next Safe Church Workshop on Saturday, May 25th at 9 a.m. in the Main Hall. Please let Caroline know if you are interested in registering.

GARAGE SALE - A huge thank you to all the volunteers who participated in last week's garage sale. It was a lot of hard work, but well worth it. We had a great turn-out and appreciate everyone's support. We are especially thankful to Mary Wills for spearheading and organizing the week long's worth of preparations, and Ed Robinson for all his time and effort in managing the incoming items and setting up the Main Hall.

DR. SEUSS SUNDAY & CHURCH PICNIC - Plan to join us on **June 2nd** for our **Sunday School Closing**. We will celebrate our children and their Christian Education leaders during our Dr. Seuss Eucharist. It will be followed by an outdoor picnic and games. The congregation is invited to come and tap into their inner child while we eat hamburgers, hotdogs, potato chips & ice cream cones; and play games like the 3-legged race, sac race, and water-balloon toss!! If you like, bring a lawn chair and sit outside or feel free to watch from the Hall. We are asking for a "Toonie" to help defray the cost of lunch.

JOHN'S BLOG - Many of you may not be aware that our very own John Hounsell-Drover has been writing his own blog since 2007! There you will find his thoughtful reflections, insights and personal discoveries shared. If you are curious to learn more, please visit his site at:
<https://johnhounselldrover.blogspot.com/>

CHURCH CAMP – Our 39th Annual Church Camp is scheduled for July 5th to 12th at Parry's in Parksville. Please confirm with Liz Garland if you plan on attending.

Email: adventvolunteer@shaw.ca or bobandlizgarland@gmail.com

YES, WE CAN! – Please be advised that May 15th will be the final meeting for Yes, We Can! We are so thankful to Bev Somers for all her time and heartfelt efforts in leading this group. Thank you, Bev! You are a gift to our parish.

THE GREAT CANADIAN HYMN SING – Message from Jill Ann Siemens,
Founder of the Canadian Tenors....

I have been given a vision to keep the great hymns of the church alive and have started a new project called The Great Canadian Hymn Sing. This will take place coast to coast, beginning on the west coast with Vancouver Island as a pilot launch. From there we will move across the country. In each area, it is intended as a community driven event that ties the church families together.

The first step in doing this is to have the public vote to determine the top 10 most popular hymns. Once decided, we will hold a spectacular concert with special guest artists to sing those top 10. The Victoria concert will be held at the Royal Theatre on September 8, 2019.

The website for Vancouver Island voters can be found at:

*www.thegreatcanadianhymnsing.com. Also, for those folks that do not have a computer, I can send ballots and a **ballot box** if a request is made in writing to: info@thegreatcanadianhymnsing.com or by phoning **250-361-5402**. Our team would then pick up ballot boxes on or after June 30th.*

I hope you can join us in bringing all this together. God willing I believe it will be an exciting project for your church family.

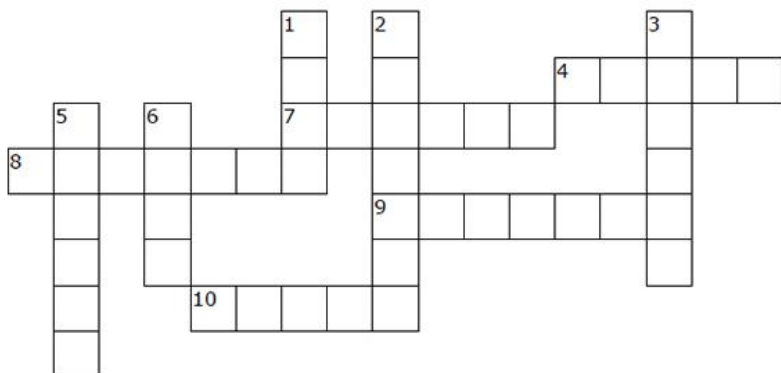
We will participate by having available a ballot box in our Narthex. Please feel free to cast your vote!

OUTREACH AROUND THE WORLD – Our very own parishioner, Mary Ellen Skinner, recently visited rural Zambia for 10 days. On Palm Sunday she took four palm crosses from our church to Ndola, Zambia. She went there as part of this year's team to the Mercy Touch International children's home. On Easter Sunday they attended church where the nephew of the children's home founder is the pastor. Mary Ellen presented the crosses to him as a reminder that churches in Canada are praying for Christians in Africa. Mary Ellen said that he was most pleased and kept the crosses on the pulpit for the two Sundays they attended! She said the mission trip was an amazing experience. Thanks, Mary Ellen, for your very thoughtful gesture.

MESSY CHURCH – The next Messy Church is Saturday, May 26th, 4 – 6 p.m. at Church of the Advent. The evening's theme is "Jesus Knocks." This is a free family event that includes crafts, games, dinner and worship. All are welcome.

SCRAPBOOKING SCRAPPERS – Beginning on Friday, May 17th at 9:30 in the Main Hall, a new scrapbooking group will be meeting. This is brand new and welcome to everyone. If you love being crafty and creative with your scrapbooks, come and join us! Any questions? See Joan Hoffman.

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

4. Wooly animal similar to goats
7. To move behind someone or something and go where they go
8. Something that cannot be explained by the laws of nature
9. Lasting forever, never ending
10. Sounds that come from the throat when people speak or sing

DOWN

1. The period between birth and death
2. To think that something is true
3. A building used for religious ceremonies or worship.
5. The season between autumn and spring
6. The body part used for holding things

ETERNAL
BELIEVE

LIFE
HAND

MIRACLE
VOICE

FOLLOW
TEMPLE

WINTER
SHEEP

36th Annual Strawberry Tea & Craft Fair

Saturday, June 8th, 10 am to 3 pm

HELP IS NEEDED:

Come out on Friday evening (anytime after 6 p.m.) to enjoy the happy fellowship & prepare for the TEA!

SIGN-UP SHEETS – are in the Narthex. Sign-up today!

Baking & Jams – all donations gratefully received for the Bake Table.

Posters – help yourself to 1 or 2 for posting!

Buy a gift for Dad (Father's Day – June 16th)

Bring your friends and family to sample our yummy Strawberry Shortcake (\$8 each) and browse through the many craft tables. This event is always lots of fun! More info needed? Contact the church office, Mary Wills (250-474-4909) or Donna Brandle (250-478-0264).



DIRECTORY

<i>Church Office*</i>	<i>Mon. – Thurs. 9 a.m. till Noon</i>	<i>250-474-3031</i>
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****For pastoral emergencies outside of office hours, please call 506-461-4825.***

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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

We ask congregants to limit the use of fragrances.
THANK YOU!