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

October 13, 2019

Harvest Thanksgiving
Birthday 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

Deuteronomy 26:1-11	***Jill Dolan***
Psalm 100 Pg. 457	***Jill Dolan***
Philippians 4:4-9	***William Dolan***
John 6:25-35	***Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover***
Administrator	***David Gregory***

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

Liturgical Assistant is Donna Brandle
Sidespeople are Pat Graham & Betty Leech
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.

<u>Sentence of the Day:</u> Give thanks to the LORD! Praise God's name! Tell the whole world what God has done—the mighty acts on our behalf. Sing to the LORD, for the Lord has done wonderful things for us! Raise your hearts and voices! Shout and sing your praise! For great is the Holy One who lives among us!

<u>Opening Hymn:</u> CP 259 For the Fruit of All Creation

<u>Greeting:</u>
Come, let us celebrate the wondrous gifts that God has given us.
Throughout all our lives, God has blessed us with love and hope.
Praise be to God who provides for us.
May our hearts be truly grateful, and may we show our gratitude by the ways in which we live and care for others.
We offer our litany of thanksgiving:
The world is filled with the glory of God, and we say,
Thank you!
The hills and valleys are filled with colour, and we say,
Thank you!
The vines and trees are filled with fruit, and we say,
Thank you!
Our tables are overflowing with food, and we say,
Thank you!
Our life is filled with love of family and friends, and we say,
Thank you!
We fill this house of God with our voices, saying,
Thank you!
May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you, O God, as we enter into this service of thanksgiving and praise.

<u>Hymn of Praise:</u> G 609 You Are the Voice

Refrain:
You are the voice of the living God,
calling us now to live in your love;
to be children of God once again!

1. Praise for the light that shines through the night,
from darkness to light, from death to new life,
and praise to the morning that brings forth the sun,
to open our eyes to the Lord!
To open our eyes to the Lord! ***(Refrain)***

2. Praise for the water that springs from the sea,
the seed that gives life to all believe,
God's love over-flowing our hearts know the joy
to be daughters and sons of the Lord!
To be daughters and sons of the Lord! ***(Refrain)***

3. Praise for the singing and praise for the dance,
with new heart and voice,
all raise the song of praise to creation;
all heaven and earth, come sing of the Glory of God!
Come sing of the Glory of God! ***(Refrain)***

Collect of the Day: Creator God, **you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea, and the rhythm of the seasons. As we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

Chat @ the Chancel:

Hymn: I Thank you Thank you Jesus

I Thank you Thank you Jesus,
I Thank you Thank you Jesus,
I Thank you Thank you Jesus in my heart.
I Thank you Thank you Jesus
I Thank you Thank you Jesus
I Thank you Thank you Jesus in my heart.

First Reading: *Deuteronomy 26:1-11* **Carolyn Hamar**

<u>Psalm:</u> *100* - **Make a Joyful Noise**

Refrain:
Make a joyful noise, all the earth
Worship your God with gladness,
Make a joyful noise all the earth,
Come to this place with a song!

1. Know that your God has made you,
Know it's to God we belong,
And come to this place
with joyfulness and praise,
Worship your God with a song! ***(Refrain)***

2. Enter these gates, thanksgiving,
Enter these courts with praise,
Sing thanks to your God,
and bless the holy Name
Worship your God with a song! ***(Refrain)***

3. Ages through endless ages,
Seasons of endless years,
The love of our Maker
ever shall endure,
Worship your God with a song! ***(Refrain)***

<u>Second Reading:</u> *Philippians 4:4-9* **Linda Van Sickle**

<u>Gospel Hymn:</u> CP 403 Let All Things Now Living
(Verse 1 prior to the Gospel; verse 2 following.)

<u>Gospel:</u> *John 6:25-35* **Lydia French**

<u>Gospel Hymn Cont'd:</u>

<u>Sermon:</u> **Rev. Sandra Hounsell-Drover**

<u>Apostles Creed:</u> Pg. 189

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayers of the People: **Kathy Middleton**

Confession & Absolution:
We confess our sin, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's creation. God our Creator, we are sorry for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly, and acted ungratefully. Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

We enjoy the fruits of the harvest, but sometimes forget that you have given them to us.
Creator, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

We belong to a people who are full and satisfied, but ignore the cry of the hungry. Creator, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

We are thoughtless, and do not care enough for the world you have made.
Creator, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

We store up goods for ourselves alone, as if there were no God and no heaven.
Creator, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.
…time of silent prayer…

God is a gracious giver.
God is gracious in forgiveness.
God calls us to new patterns and new life.
We are a forgiven people!
Thanks be to God! Amen.

The Peace: The fruit of God's Spirit is love, joy, patience, kindness, faithfulness, generosity, self-control, gentleness and peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: **CP 342 We Praise You, O God**

Prayer over the Gifts: Holy God, **gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, so that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer #4: Pg. 201

Sanctus: **MV 206**
Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might;
Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes, who comes in God's name.
Hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer: (Gordon Light)

Breaking of the Bread:
The hunger of the world is satisfied in this bread.
May we feed this bread to all who hunger.
The thirst of all humanity is quenched in this wine.
May we satisfy this yearning in us and others.
The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

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.*

Communion Distributors: **Bob Brandle, Linda Cue, & Mike Armstrong**

Choir Anthem: **Look at the World**
By John Rutter

Prayer after Communion: God of abundance, **with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, so that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our 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

Blessing:

Shared Ministry:

Commissioning Hymn: CP 399 now Thank We All Our God

Commissioning: As our time of worship concludes, our time of service begins.
We return to our living and working amidst a world of need
As you go from this place, carry with you the knowledge that you are recipients of God's gifts.
As we go, we vow to share those gifts with the world around us.
And may God walk with you as you travel life's road.
Amen. Alleluia.

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

TODAY WE PRAY

Pray for the Church of the Province of West Africa.
For Linda our Primate, Melissa our Metropolitan,
Logan our Bishop, Sandra our Rector, & Paul our Associate Priest.
For S. John the Divine, Victoria, & for the Diocese of Caledonia.
In the Selkirk Region for Regional chaplaincies in hospital.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

Joan, Maureen, Elmer & Alice, Barney, Dode, Peter, Joan, Anthony, Lucy, & St. Peter & St. Paul.

SHARED MINISTRY

THIS WEEK

Monday, Oct. 14 – Office is closed for Thanksgiving day.
Tuesday, Oct. 15 – Whatsewever, 10 am; Parish Council, 7 pm
Wednesday, Oct. 16 –Midweek Eucharist, 10 am; Choir, 7:30 pm
Friday, Oct. 18 – Office is closed; Rev. Sandra's day off; Scrapbooking, 9:30 am

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Jer 31:27-34; Ps 119:97-104; 2 Tim 3:14-4:5; Lk 18:1-8

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Oct. 14: Thanksgiving Day; office is closed.
Oct. 15: Parish Council Meeting, 7 pm
Oct. 20: Jazz Vespers with the Chris Millington Trio
Oct. 21: Election Day (Polling Station in the Main Hall)
Oct. 23: Ladies Guild Lunch, 12 to 1 pm
Oct. 27: Church Harvest Dinner (5 for 5:30 pm)
Nov. 13: Ladies Guild Meeting, 1:30 pm
Nov. 15: Christmas Craft Fair Set-Up
Nov. 16: Christmas Craft Fair, 10 am to 3 pm
Nov. 17: Jazz Vespers with Kim Greenwood, 7 pm
Nov. 19: Parish Council Meeting, 7 pm
Nov. 27: Ladies Guild Lunch, 12 to 1 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BOOK SALE UPDATE – The 11th Annual Book Sale was very successful with almost $5000 raised! Thank you again to all those who contributed their time and efforts throughout the week. Special thanks to all who helped clean up after the sale. $4806.70 was deposited on Saturday (Christmas items $125.00; Books $4441.70; & Pies $240.00).
Many thanks to Lydia, Marj, and the Ladies Guild who made and sold pies. A huge thank you to Jose, Sheila, and Lorne for their continued dedication to this well appreciated community event. There was a considerable amount of After Sales money that came in and we should have a more accurate amount of money raised within the week.

JAZZ VESPERS – Please join us at 7 pm on October 20th to enjoy the performance of our featured guests, the Chris Millington Trio. Chris has had a long, fascinating, and incredibly successful international music career. Be sure to read his bio at www.seamill.com or on our website at www.colwoodanglican.ca/events. You won't want to miss this exciting opportunity!

STREET HOPE MINISTRY – We are collecting non-perishable food, socks, gloves, and hats for the Street Hope Ministries Shoebox program. See Joan, Elizabeth or Caroline for more information. **Deadline is Nov. 24th.**

Street Hope Victoria is a volunteer-driven Christian organization that builds personal relationships with people who face multiple barriers and marginalization and encourages them to seek wholeness in all aspects of their lives. These people may be facing poverty, a lack of supportive community, homelessness, addictions or mental health issues.
Street Hope operates out of a motor home, which is parked in downtown Victoria on a couple of weekday evenings. Volunteers welcome people into the motor home and serve them homemade soup, sandwiches, hot chocolate, juice, cookies and fruit. They feed hungry people, provide essentials such as warm clothing and toiletries, establish and nurture meaningful connections with folks, and encourage them towards healing in their lives.

HELPER NEEDED – We are looking for someone to help with coffee on the 1st Sunday of each month. If you are interested, please speak with Ed Robinson (250-888-6584).

THANKSGIVING NEWSLETTER – Just a reminder to pick up your Thanksgiving newsletter in the Narthex if you haven't done so already!

CALLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE IN MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL!!! - Please plan to join us on Friday, October 18 at 5:30 for our inaugural Parish Youth Gathering. This first gathering will be an opportunity to share in a meal (pizza) and talk about what we would like to do as young people of faith. I encourage all parents/guardians to join us for this first get-together.
If you are able to attend please email Rev. Sandra – shounselldrover@bc.anglican.ca by October 14. If you are not able to attend but are interested in this new exciting ministry, please respond as well.

BLANKETS & SLEEPING BAGS NEEDED – The Victoria Cool Aid Society is seeking donations of gently used blankets (twin size is preferable), sleeping bags, warm clothing and winter coats/gear. As the weather cools down, there is an increased need for these items. Any help would be much appreciated. Donations may be brought to the Rock Bay Landing at 535 Ellice Street, or Sandy Merriman House (women's shelter) at 809 Burdett, or you may drop them off at the church office. Thank you!

Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

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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!