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The Rev. Dr. Paul Schumacher, Associate Priest

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

December 1, 2019

Advent 1



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. Dr. Paul Schumacher preaches & presides today.

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| <p>9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Book of Alternative Services, p. 185</p> |
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*Liturgical Assistant is Mike Armstrong
Sidespeople are Pat Graham & Betty Leach
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: Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.

Opening Hymn: CP 89 O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Welcome:

Lighting of the Advent Wreath: Where the Promise Shines

A Candle Lighting Ceremony for Advent Words by Sylvia G. Dunstan Music by Bob Moore, Setting by Joel Raney

First Sunday of Advent - The Promise of Hope

TBD

Advent is a time for God's people to reawaken their longings.

We wait in hope for the Lord.

We long for every hurt to be healed.

We wait in hope for the Lord.

We long for every tear to be dried.

We wait in hope for the Lord.

We long for every injustice to be made right.

We wait in hope for the Lord.

We celebrate God's promises and long for those yet to unfold.

We wait in hope for the Lord.

Candle Lighting

This morning we light the **first candle** which reminds us that even in the midst of darkness, the light of hope shines. Jesus Christ is the promised One of God, the light of the world. May this light of hope illuminate our hearts throughout this Advent season.

Congregation response song:

Lead us on, lead us on – to a morning where the promise shines.

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Closing Prayer: Gracious God, fill our hearts this day with the thrill of hope that is found in each of your promises. Like the people of old, we who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. Ignite our faith and light our path. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Collect of the day: Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, so that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

Chat @ the Chancel:



Hymn: Hope is a Star

Hope is a star that shines in the night,
leading us on till the morning is bright.

Refrain:

When God is a child there's joy in our song.
The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,
and none shall be afraid.

First Reading: *Isaiah 2:1-5*

Cat Mason

Psalm: 122

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Second Reading: *Romans 13:11-14*

Peter H-D

Gospel Hymn: CP 111 Herald! Sound the Note of Judgement
(Verses 1-2 before the gospel; verses 3-4 following.)

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 24:36-44*

Linda Van Sickle

Gospel Hymn Cont'd:

Apostles Creed:

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RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayers of the People:

Sue Hamblin

Confession & Absolution:

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The Peace:

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Offertory Hymn: CP 100 Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

Prayer over the Gifts: *(Sung)*

What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb.
If I were a wise man, I would do my part;
yet what I can I give him; give my heart.

Eucharistic Prayer #1:

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Sanctus: *(‘Hark the Herald Angels Sing’ Melody)*

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of power and might adored
heaven and earth are shining bright with the glory of your light!
Loud hosannas now we sing! In the highest may they ring!
Blessed is the Coming One, Christ, Emmanuel, your Son.
Glory in the highest! Holy God, your name be blessed.

Eucharistic prayer continues...

Acclamation: *(‘We Three Kings’ Melody)*

Dying Christ destroyed our death. Rising Christ restores our life.
Christ will come again in glory, raising us all to life.
Oh, God of power, God of might, God of love, our hearts delight:
Feed us, guide us, walk beside us, bless us with our gentle light.

Eucharistic prayer continues...

Great Amen: *(‘Infant Holy Infant Lowly’ Melody)*

God our Mother, Christ our Brother, Spirit in these gifts you vow: by
your giving, in our living, we become your body now. Bread is broken,
light revealing; word is spoken for our healing. Make us all your body
now. Amen. Amen.

Lord’s Prayer: (David Haas)

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: **David Gregory, William & Peter H-D**

Choir Anthem: **Seekers of Light**

Words and music by Joseph Martin and David Angerman.

Prayer after Communion: God for whom we wait, in this meal you give us a foretaste of that day when the hungry will be fed with good things. Send us forth to make known your deeds and to proclaim the greatness of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Doxology:

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SENDING FORTH

Blessing:

Shared Ministry:

Commissioning Hymn: CP 130 Born in the Night

Commissioning: Go now and walk in the light of the Lord. Stay alert for the Lord is near. Put on the armour of light and live openly and honourably as we strive for peace amongst all people.

In the name of Christ we go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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



TODAY WE PRAY

*Pray for the mission agencies and their work
throughout the Anglican Communion.*

*For Linda our Primate, Melissa our Metropolitan,
Logan our Bishop, Sandra our Rector, & Paul our Associate Priest.
For S. George the Martyr, Cardboro Bay & the Diocese of New Westminster.
In the Selkirk Region S. Mary of the Incarnation, Metchosin.*

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

*Joan, Maureen, Elmer & Alice, Barney, Joan & Don, Anthony, Lucy, Dode,
Barb, Bonnie, Scott, Sarah, Kim, Helen, & the parish of St. Peter/St. Paul.*

SHARED MINISTRY

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, Dec. 3 – What-Sew-Ever, 10 am;
Wednesday, Dec. 4 –Midweek Eucharist, 10 am; Choir, 7:30 pm
Friday, Dec. 6– Office is closed; Rev. Sandra's day off;
Scrap & Chat, 9:30 am

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-7, 18-19; Rom 15:4-13; Mt 3:1-12



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Dec. 1: Gifts of the Season Service, 2 pm
Dec. 3: What-Sew-Ever, 10 am
Dec. 10: What-Sew-Ever, 10 am
Dec. 11: Ladies Guild Christmas, 1:30 pm
Dec. 13: Scrap & Chat, 9:30 am
Dec. 15: Hanging of the Greens Service, 10 am
Dec. 17: What-Sew-Ever, 10 am; Parish Council Meeting, 7 pm
Dec. 19: Christmas Caroling, 6 pm
Dec. 22: Baptism Sunday; Pageant Sunday; Bishop Logan visits
Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Services at 6 & 10 pm

DIRECTORY

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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

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| Name | |
| Address | Postal Code |
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We ask congregants to limit the use of fragrances.

THANK YOU!