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## The Second Sunday in Advent

## December 10, 2023



Detail from Le Jugement Dernier [The Last Judgement]. (1585). Jean Cousin le Jeune (1536-1595)

## Welcome!

Who are we? In response to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Parish of Saint George offers a unique combination of traditional Anglican worship and a commitment to Inner City Ministry. Open to the community that surrounds it, Saint George's dares to be shaped by the Inner City, yet seeks to transform our neighbourhood by preaching, in Word and action, the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Come join us in worship, fellowship and outreach ministry.

## 8 am Holy Communion

Celebrant \& Preacher: Father Nicholas Hatt, Rector
The Holy Communion service begins on page 67 of the Book of Common Prayer.
The Collect, Epistle, and Gospel are found on pages 97-98. The Introit and Gradual are printed in this bulletin.

## 10:30 am Choral Holy Communion

Celebrant \& Preacher: Father Nicholas Hatt, Rector
Mass setting: Missa IX Orbis factor
Creed \& Gloria: John Merbecke (1510-1585)
Please stand
The "O" Antiphons
O Radix Jesse (O Root of Jesse)
O Root of Jesse, which standest for an ensign of the people, at whom kings shall shut their mouths, to whom the Gentiles shall seek: Come and deliver us, and tarry not.
O Clavis David (O Key of David)
O Key of David, and Sceptre of the house of Israel; that openest and no man shutteth: and shuttest, and no man openeth: Come and bring the prisoner out of the prison house, and him that sitteth in darkness, and the shadow of death.
The ancient "O Antiphons" have been used by Christians for the last 1300 years. They focus our prayer on Old Testament prophecies of Christ. Traditionally sung before and after the Magnificat at Evening Prayer on the days leading up to Christmas, the choir will sing them over the Sundays in Advent at the 10:30 service of Choral Communion.
Opening Hymn 59 The Advent of our King St Thomas
The Lighting of the Advent Wreath (see insert)
The Introit Psalm 80:1-7
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HEAR, O THOU Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Jo-seph like^a flock; /
show thyself also, thou that sittest up-on the che ${ }^{\wedge}$ ru-bim~.
Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Ma-nas-seh, / stir up thy strength, and come and help us $\sim$.
Turn us a-gain~, O God; / show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole~.
O Lord God of hosts, / how long wilt thou be angry with thy peo-ple that ${ }^{\wedge}$ pray-eth~?
Thou hast fed them with the bread^of tears, /
and hast given them plenteousness of tears to drink~.
Thou makest us a very strife un-to our neigh^bours, /
and our enemies laugh us to scorn~.
Turn us again, $O$ God of hosts; / show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole~. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Ho^ly Ghost~; As it was in the beginning, is now, and $e$-ver shall be, / world with-out end. A-men ~.

Kyrie eleison,
Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Lord have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.

The Collect p. 97,95

Please sit
The Epistle (Romans 15:4)
Please stand
The Gradual Psalm 50:1-6


THE LORD, E-ven the Most Mighty God, hath spo-ken, /
and called the world, from the rising of the sun unto the go-ing down there $\sim$ of $\sim$.
Out of Sion, the perfection of beau-ty, / God hath shined $\sim$ forth $\sim$.
Our God cometh, and keepeth not si-lence; / there goeth before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest is stirred up round a-bout $\sim$ him $\sim$.
He calleth to the heavens from a-bove, / and to the earth, that he may judge his peo $\sim$ ple $\sim$ :
'Gather my saints together un-to me: /
those that have made a covenant with $m e$ with sac $\sim$ ri^fice $\sim$.'
And the heavens declare his righ-teous-ness; / for God is judge him~self~.
The Advent Prose (see insert) Rorate Coli
The Holy Gospel (St Luke 21:25) p. 98
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { The Nicene Creed } & \text { p. } 71\end{array}$
The children of the Sunday School depart for their lesson, returning to the service at the time of Communion.
The Sermon
The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, Rector
Offertory Hymn 71 REJOICE, all ye believers
Lancashire
After the biddings, please kneel
The Prayer of Intercession \& Invitation to Confession p. 75
The Confession p. 77
The Absolution, Comfortable Words, \& Thanksgiving p. 77
The Sanctus \& Benedictus p. 81

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.
The Prayer of Consecration \& Pax ..... p. 82
The Prayer of Humble Access ..... p. 83
The Agnus Dei ..... p. 84

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. (bis).
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. (repeat).
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

## Holy Communion

The Anglican Church of Canada welcomes communicant members of all Churches who have been baptized with water in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, to receive Holy Communion in faith, hope and charity. If you do not wish to receive communion, you are welcome to come to the altar rail to receive a blessing. To indicate that you wish to receive a blessing, cross your arms across your chest when you come to the altar rail.
Communion Hymn 66 CREATOR of the starry height Conditor alme siderum

Communion Motet
Rorate caeli desuper, et nubes pluant justum: aperiatur terra, et germinet salvatorem
Benedixisti, Domine, terram tuam: avertisti captivitatem Jacob. Gloria Patri \&'c.

Rorate caeli - William Byrd (1543-1623)
Drop down ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: Let the earth open and bring forth a Saviour. Lord, thou hast blessed thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. Glory be to the Father \&c.
The Lord's Prayer ..... p. 85
The Prayer of Thanksgiving ..... p. 85
The Gloria in Excelsis ..... p. 86
The BlessingClosing Hymn 64 The LORD will come and not be slowOld $107^{\text {th }}$Voluntary Allein Gott in der Hoh sei Ehr, BWV 664 - J. S. Bach (1685-1750)Please join us for tea and coffee in the parish hall after the 10:30 service. The parish hall is just out the door tothe right of the pulpit and up the concrete walk. There is a wheelchair ramp off the Maitland Street side of thehall.
Upcoming Special Services and EventsTODAY, Sunday, December 10 at 5pm: Advent Lessons \& Carols (see news sectionfor details)

## Today's Offices

10 am Morning Prayer begins on page 6 of the Prayer Book. Psalms 96 \& 97; Isa.
11:1-10; Rev. 2:18-3:6
$\mathbf{5} \mathbf{~ p m}$ Service of Lessons and Carols for Advent
6:30pm discussion of the third part of "Meditations for Advent with Evelyn Underhill," Recognizing God's Coming (Christ Comes), led by Peter Bullerwell.

## Financial Update for Advent 2: December $10^{\text {th }}$

We asked, and you responded! Offerings in November were the highest of the year - an amazing $\$ 42,906.58$. Thank you for your response to God's mercy in our parish and our life together.


As of Thursday December $12^{\text {th }}$, the deficit stands at $\sim \mathbf{\$ 2 9 , 6 0 0}$. At the end of October, just 5 short weeks ago, we were looking at a deficit over $\$ 51,000$. Let us continue to strive to finish the year without a deficit.

## Soup Kitchen Update

Last Week, December 2 Team 3 led by Kieva Diamond and Matthew Vanderkwaak. Food and volunteers came from All Saints' Cathedral. 132 were served.
Yesterday, December 9 Team 4 led by Alex Bickerton. Food and volunteers came from the Parish of Fall River.
Next Week, December 16 Team 5 led by Jordan Gracie. Food and volunteers will come from Bedford Baptist.

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## Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Sun - The Church of Pakistan (United)
Mon - The Diocese of Bathurst - The Anglican Church of Australia
Tues - The Diocese of Bauchi - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)
Wed - The Diocese of Belize - The Church in the Province of the West Indies
Thurs - The Diocese of Bendigo - The Anglican Church of Australia
Fri - The Diocese of Beni - Province de L’Eglise Anglicane Du Congo
Sat - The Diocese of Benin - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Chignecto Region
Springhill, Nova Scoita: The Rev'd Dr. Brian Spence, Rector Lantz, Nova Scotia: The Rev'd Dr. Jane Magrath, Rector

## St. George's Anglican Church

Notices \& Announcements
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## Worship schedule

Holy Communion (said): Wed, 10 am ; Sun, 8 am Choral Holy Communion: Sun, 10:30 am Daily Offices

Morning Prayer: Mon - Fri, 9 am; Sun, 10 am
Evening Prayer: Mon - Fri, 5:30 pm; Sun, 5 pm Until the end of May, all of the Daily Offices are said in the Round Church

## Scripture Readings for the Week

The Scripture readings below can be read on their own, or with the daily offices of Morning and Evening Prayer (see pp. 1-24 in the Book of Common Prayer), or the shortened Family Prayers in the back of the Book of Common Prayer (see pages 728 736).

|  | Morning Prayer |  | Evening Prayer |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mon | Isa. 19.18-end | Mark 4.21-end | Isa. 21.1-12 | Rev. 12 |
| Tue | $22.1-14$ | $5.1-20$ | 24 | 13 |
| Wed | $28.1-8$ | 5.21 -end | $29.1-14$ | 14 |
| Thu | 29.15 -end | $6.1-13$ | 30.19 -end | 15 |
| Fri | 31 | $6.14-29$ | $38.1-20$ | 16 |
| Sat | 40.12 -end | $6.30-$ end | 41 | 17 |

## Prayer List

Let us pray for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially: Barbara, Evelyn, Lowell \& Gladys, Wendy, Patricia, Daniel, Patricia, Kevin, Kent, Willis, Loren, Wade, Lorayne, Ron and Paulette, Ginny, Greg, Trudy, Daryl and family, Martin, Jack, Ginny, and Gregory.
For the Faithful Departed: Charles "Chuck" William Richardson ('09), John Hammond ('13), Petronella Neish ('11), Karen (Dowding) Zinck ('23), Alan Wilkie ('23), The Rev'd Canon Eric Ingraham ('17), Dorothy Lirette (10), Ruth Christine Phillips ('23), Evangeline Mary Giles ('03), Barbara Smith ('19), Lloyd Tilley ('09), Barbara Elizabeth Conrod ('10), Daina Kulnys ('12), and Dewitt Spurgeon Rockwell ('04).
If you have loved ones you would like added to the prayer list, please let Fathe Hatt know (rector@roundchurch.ca).

## Parish Prayer List 'Refresh'

Father Hatt has 'refreshed' the prayer list. If you have names of loved ones for the list, please pass them along to him (rector@roundchurch.ca).

## ADVENT STUDY: Meditating on Advent with Evelyn <br> \section*{Underhill}

This year we are offering a four-week study meant to prepare our hearts for Advent, using a book designed for just this purpose, "Music of Eternity: Meditations for Advent with Evelyn Underhill." We meet for a brief discussion time on the four Sundays leading up to Christmas, immediately following our usual 5pm Evening Prayer (and after Advent Lessons and Carols on December $10^{\text {th }}$ ).
The book is divided into four Parts, with each Part subdivided into smaller sections for daily reading. We will read the designated Part on our own through the week and then meet on Sunday evenings for a discussion, with each week led by a different parishioner.
PART 1 Nov. 20-26 Prevenience: Welcoming God's Coming (God IS) Pages 7-39
Discussion Nov. 26, led by Marilyn Orr
PART 2 Nov. 27-Dec. 3 Advent: Awaiting God's Coming (Christ is Coming) Pages 41-72
Discussion Dec. 3, led by Amy Bird
PART 3 Dec. 4-10 Emmanuel: Recognizing God's Coming (Christ Comes) Pages 73-122
Discussion Dec. 10, led by Peter Bullerwell
(*Meets after Advent Lessons and Carols, 6:15 p.m. ${ }^{*}$ )
PART 4 Dec. 11-17 Holy Living: Embracing God's Coming (God has Come!) Pages 123-165
Discussion Dec. 17, led by Tracy Lenfesty
We have three copies of the book available for $\$ 25.00$. You can also purchase the book through Thriftbooks or Amazon. We will also have photocopies of the material scheduled for the upcoming week available on the table at the back of the church or from Marilyn.
For more information and to purchase the book or receive a photocopy, contact Marilyn.

## Weekly Bible Study on Wednesdays

Father Hatt leads a weekly Bible study on the Gospel of Saint Luke. We meet Wednesdays at 10:45 a.m. in the Round Church, following the 10 a.m. Holy Communion. We meet again on Wednesday, December 13th and 20th.

## St Nicholas' Day - TODAY!

TODAY, December 10th the Sunday School will observe the Feast of St Nicholas with appropriate readings and teachings and crafts. At the end of the 10:30 a.m. service there may even be a special visitor from Asia Minor joining us!

## Advent Lessons and Carols - TONIGHT at 5pm

Sung by our Parish Choir. Through a series of Scripture readings and musical responses we hear of God's loving response to our cries for redemption, the gift of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. The offering at this service will go to support our Christmas outreach to families in need in our parish and neighbourhood. Make this part of your Advent devotions this year.

## Christmas Outreach Wrap, Pack, \& Deliver Day

Mark your calendar for Saturday, December 16th at 10 a.m. when we will gather in the parish hall to prepare and wrap and deliver our Christmas Outreach care packages to local families in need in our neighbourhood.

## Christmas Garland

On Saturday, December 16th at 10 a.m. please gather in the hall to help build the Christmas garland which will adorn the Round Church through the Christmas Season. A huge thank you to Craig Savoury who is leading this project again this year. Please let Craig know if you can help.
The Journey to Jul - A Scandinavian Christmas Concert Saturday, December 16th at 7:30 p.m. at St George's Round Church Local musicians Kirsty Money (nyckelharpa) and Jennifer Publicover (flute) will present a concert for the Christmas season, journeying from the carefree Scandinavian summer (midsummer) through to fall and Juletide. They will be joined by Jennifer's son Alistair Maksym on keyboards and welcoming special guest vocalist Kyla Neville, who also happens to be Kirsty's daughter. Tickets can be purchased online at Kirsty's website: kirstymoney.ca or at the door Tickets are $\$ 25$ dollars reg., $\$ 15$ students and seniors, $\$ 50$ for a family of four or more, and Children under 12 are free.

## Support for Afghan Family

Neighbouring St Patrick's Church has passed on a request for items required by two newly arrived Afghan refugee families. There are two brothers, with married children, and a total of 9 children aged 2 to 20 years old. The items needed are many. For the Maleka family: 5 single beds, 2 king or queen size beds, 1 coffee table, 1 loveseat. Karima family: 6 single beds, 2 king or queen size beds, 1 dining table and 6 chairs, 1 loveseat, 1 coffee table, plates, cooking dishes, kitchen items. Pickup of furniture at your home can be arranged. The contact is Abdul R. Shekib, (email: ar_shekib@hotmail.com) or Jacquie de Mestral.

## 2024 Prayer Book Calendars still available!

A few church calendars for 2024 following the Church Year according to the Book of Common Prayer are still available. You may call the parish office (902-423-1059 ext. 1) or send an email to office@roundchurch.ca to reserve your calendar or, on Sundays see Maxine Miles after the 8am Holy Communion service or Susan Harris after the 10:30am Choral Holy Communion service. On Wednesdays, see Susan Harris after the 10am Holy Communion service. The cost this year is $\$ 9.00$, which is an increase over last year's price, due to an increase in the cost of printing.

## Pre-Christmas Crafts and Fundraiser - Thank you!

Last week's Christmas Sale was a great success! We raised nearly $\$ 900$ for the parish, as well as having an enjoyable time and even finding some special treasures. Many thanks to all who came and purchased items, and especially to the folk who made it possible by donating items, and by setting up and running the sale. In case you missed last week, a selection of items will be available during fellowship hour in the hall today.

