

Introit Psalm 25:1-7

Unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul; /
my God, I have put my trust in thee.

O let me not be confounded, /
neither let mine enemies triumph over me.

For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed; /
but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.

Show me thy ways, O Lord, /and teach me thy paths.

Lead me forth in thy truth and teach me: /

for thou art the God of my salvation; in thee is my hope all the day long.

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies, /
and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

O remember not the sins and offences of my youth; /
but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, /

world without end. Amen.

Upcoming Special Services & Events

Wednesday, December 5: 8:30pm said Compline and silent prayer in the Round Church.

Saturday December 8: Advent Quiet Day led by the Rector from 10am-3pm in the Round Church and Guild Room.

Sunday December 9 at 5pm: Advent Lessons and Carols in the Round Church.

Wednesday, December 19 at 10am: the First Ember Day of Advent will be observed with Holy Communion (said) in the Round Church

Friday, December 21 at 5:30pm: The Feast of Saint Thomas will be celebrated with Holy Communion (said) immediately following 5:30pm shortened Evening Prayer

Saturday, December 22 at noon: the Third Ember Day of Advent will be observed with Holy Communion (said) in the Round Church.

Services today

8 am Holy Communion begins on page 67 of the Prayer Book.

The Collect, Epistle and Gospel for today are found on pages 95-97.

The Introit and Gradual Psalms are printed in this bulletin.

10 am Morning Prayer begins on page 6 of the Prayer Book.

Psalm 9; Isa. 1:1-20; Matt 24:1-28.

5 pm Evensong begins on page 18 of the Prayer Book.

Psalm 50; Isa. 2:10-end; 1 Thess. 5.

To learn more about worship, outreach, Sunday School, music,
and events at St George's, visit our website: www.roundchurch.ca



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The First Sunday in Advent

being the Fourth Sunday before Christmas Day

December 2, 2018



Christ driving the moneychangers from [the] Temple. (1635). Rembrandt van Rijn (1606-1669). Etching.

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.

10:30 am Choral Holy Communion

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, *Rector*

Mass setting: Missa XI Orbis factor (plainsong)

Creed and Gloria: John Merbecke (1510-1585)

Introit

The "O" Antiphons

O Sapientia (O Wisdom)

O Wisdom, which camest out of the mouth of the Most High, and reachest from one end to another, mightily and sweetly ordering all things: Come and teach us the way of prudence.

O Adonai (O Lord)

O Adonai, and Leader of the House of Israel, who appearedst in the bush to Moses in a flame of fire and gavest him the Law on Sinai: Come and deliver us, with an outstretched arm.

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath (see insert)

Litany in Procession

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The Kyrie

Kyrie eleison

Christe eleison

Kyrie eleison

Lord have mercy upon us,

Christ have mercy upon us,

Lord have mercy upon us.

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The Collect

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Please sit

The Epistle (Romans 13:8)

p. 95-96

Please stand

Gradual Psalm 85:4-7

tone I.5



TURN US, O God our Sa-viour, /and let thine an-ger cease from us~~.

Wilt thou be displeased at us for e-ver? /

and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation to a-no-ther~~?

Wilt thou not turn again and quick-en us, /

that thy people may re-joyce^in thee~~?

O Lord, show thy mercy up-on us, /and grant us thy sal-va-tion~~.

The Advent Prose (see insert)

Rorate Caeli

The Holy Gospel (St Matthew 21:1)

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The Nicene Creed

pp. 71-72

The Sermon

The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt

Offertory Hymn 396 HAIL to the LORD'S Anointed

Crüger

After the biddings, please kneel

The Prayer of Intercession & Invitation to Confession

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The Confession

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The Absolution, Comfortable Words, & Thanksgiving

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The Sanctus and Benedictus

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*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus
Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli 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

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The Prayer of Humble Access

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The Agnus Dei

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*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.*

Communion Hymn 65 HARK the glad sound! the SAVIOUR

St Stephen

Communion Motet

Hosanna to the Son – Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Blessed be the King of Israel. Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest places.
Hosanna in the highest heavens.

The Lord's Prayer

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The Prayer of Thanksgiving

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The Gloria in Excelsis

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The Blessing

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Closing Hymn 548 COME, thou long-expected JESUS

Stuttgart

Voluntary *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*, BWV 659 – J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

*After the 10:30 service, please stay for tea and coffee in the parish hall. The hall is just out the door
near the pulpit and up the concrete walk. There is a wheelchair ramp off the Maitland Street side of
the hall.*



St. George's Anglican Church

Notices & Announcements

December 2, 2018

The First Sunday in Advent

Worship schedule

Daily Offices

✠ *Morning Prayer*: Mon – Fri, 9 am; Sun, 10am

✠ *Evening Prayer*: Mon – Fri, 5:30 pm; Sun, 5pm

Holy Communion (said): Wed, 10 am; Sun, 8 am

Choral Holy Communion: Sun, 10:30 am

Soup Kitchen Update

Last week, November 24: Team 5 led by Jacquie de Mestral. Food and volunteers came from Bedford Baptist.

Yesterday, December 1: Team 6 led by Mike Himmelman, filling in for Debbie Davidson. Food and volunteers came from St. Peter's, Birch Cove.

Next week, December 8: Team 1 led by Rich Morrow. Food and volunteers will come from Saint George's

Lessons for Advent 1

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Mon	Isa. 3:1-15; Mark 1:1-20	Isa. 4:2-end; Rev. 6
Tue	Isa. 6; Mark 1:21-end	Isa. 8:16-9:7; Rev. 7
Wed	Isa. 9:8-10:4; Mark 2:1-22	Isa. 10:5-23; Rev. 8
Thu	Isa. 10:24-end; Mark 2:23-3:12	Isa. 13:1-14:2; Rev. 9
Fri	Isa. 14:3-27; Mark 3:13-end	Isa. 17; Rev. 10
Sat	Isa. 18; Mark 4:1-20	Isa. 19:1-17; Rev. 11

**The Refugee Sponsorship Committee meets tomorrow,
Monday, December 3at 7pm in Trinity House.**

Financial Update

	Budgeted	Actual	
Undesignated Offerings for 2018	\$205,000	\$189,659.46	
Last Week's Undesignated Offering	\$3,942.31	\$2825.50	
These numbers represent an estimate of the parish's undesignated offerings. They are presented unreconciled and unaudited for the purpose of providing a general idea of how the parish is performing financially.			
Attendance last week			
Sun. 8am: 23	Sun. 10:30am: 112	Sun. 2:30pm: 110	Wed, 10am: 19

St. Nicholas Day

The Sunday School will be celebrating the Feast of Saint Nicholas on Sunday, December 9 with cookie decorating and other activities beginning at 10:30am in the Sunday School Room.

Lights of Love

Gardens of Grace will host their first Lights of Love service at Christ Church Dartmouth on this coming Friday, December 7th at 6pm. This Christmas service is a gentle way for all who have been deeply touched by the death of a child at any age or stage of the child's life. This is an opportunity to honour the loved ones no longer with us in a beautiful and non-denominational setting during a season that can be very difficult. The service is a family friendly evening of traditional carols, readings and musical performances. It is free to attend, with a free will basket available to contribute to the music program at Christ Church. There will be a Christmas tree on which to hang messages for loved ones and the opportunity to light a tea light in memory of your baby or loved one. Lights of Love Christmas Carol services have been held in December at venues across Great Britain by SANDS (Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Charity) for fourteen years. SANDS has been very obliging in allowing us to continue the tradition here in Nova Scotia.

2019 Prayer Book Calendars still available

Church calendars for 2019 following the Church Year according to the Book of Common Prayer are still available. You may call the parish office (902 423 1059) to reserve your calendar or, on Sundays, see Susan Harris after the 10:30am Choral Holy Communion service. The cost of each calendar is \$7, the same as last year.

Choir Cassocks & Surplices

Our wonderful choir is in great need of a few new cassocks and surplices as many of the current stock are quite worn and old. To outfit the whole choir in new is a long-term project, but we hope to begin this fall by outfitting four choristers, which will cost about \$1000. If you would like to make a donation, please mark your offering Choir Cassocks and place it on the collection plate. If you would like more information please speak to Tracy Lenfesty or Garth MacPhee. Thanks!

Today: Christmas Bake Sale and More

We will hold a sale of baked goods, jams, jellies, candies, cakes, cookies and breads on **TODAY, DECEMBER 2, after the 10.30 service.**

We will go on selling any unsold items right up until Christmas after the 10.30 communion service.

Thank you to Michal King, Trudy Urquhart, Willis and Ada Grandy, and all others who helped to organize or contribute to this special Christmas Project.

YouthNet Lunch Providers Needed

YouthNet is looking for a few more volunteers to provide a dish once a month for YouthNet's lunch program which feeds 24 students lunch every school day. You will be required to drop off the lunch between 10am and 10:30am to St. George's Parish Hall. Only the main dish is required. We do not serve pork but meal suggestions are spaghetti and meatballs, a chicken dish, shepherd's pie and tacos. If you are not able to provide a lunch but would like to donate a lunch once a month, we are accepting monthly donations between \$30 and \$40.

Homeless Memorial Service

The annual service to remember and honour those who have lost their lives while experiencing homelessness and poverty will be held on Friday, December 18th at 11 a.m. at St Patrick's Church, 2263 Brunswick Street. A luncheon reception will follow. For more information, contact Claudia Jahn at the Affordable Housing Association of Nova Scotia, 902-406-1777.

Today: Helios Vocal Ensemble presents “An Illuminated Christmas”

Helios Vocal Ensemble, the Halifax-based classical vocal quintet, offers an evening of beauty and calm within the busy holiday season, in the warm, unique acoustics of Saint George's Round Church. This year's programme will feature Renaissance polyphony by Josquin, Gabrieli and Morales; as well as carols ancient and modern from England, France and Germany. Helios includes Eszter Horvath (soprano), former music director at All Saints Cathedral, Halifax; Elisabeth Stones (soprano), National Youth Choir alumna; Andrew Pickett (alto), former lay clerk at Manchester Cathedral; Michael van der Gaag (tenor), National Youth Choir alumnus; and Spencer Gough (bass). Their début recording, *An Illuminated Christmas*, was nominated for Classical CD of the Year in 2018 by Music Nova Scotia, with a second CD of madrigals from England, Italy, France and Spain coming this spring. Helios presents “An Illuminated Christmas” **TODAY at 7:30 pm at St George's Round Church, 2222 Brunswick St, Halifax. Admission is by donation.**

Viola Desmond Luncheon and Ecumenical Service

Thank you to everyone who helped to make last Sunday's luncheon and ecumenical service honouring the life and witness of civil rights pioneer Viola Desmond such a success. This was part of the week-long celebrations organized by the North End Business Association for the launch of the new Canadian \$10 bill on which Viola Desmond is depicted. Mrs Desmond lived and ran a business only a few blocks away from St George's, and was a baptized and confirmed Anglican, who attended what was then Cornwallis Street Baptist as an adult. Last Sunday we served over 200 people from the neighbourhood for lunch. Our local MLA and Member of Parliament were in attendance. The worship service which followed with New Horizons Baptist Church was truly uplifting. Special thanks to Garth MacPhee and both the junior and senior choirs, Mary Hills and the fellowship teams, and all those who saw where help was needed and pitched-in without even being asked! And we are also thankful to our neighbours at New Horizons Baptist Church and their choirs.

When Jesus Went to Egypt: Imagining Mary and Joseph's Refugee Claim

A fundraiser for the Halifax Refugee Clinic on Human Rights Day at St George's Round Church Monday, December 10th from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. This event will include a brief dramatization which imagines Mary and Joseph's refugee hearing at the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada. It will be followed by a roundtable discussion with refugees, legal experts, and psychology professionals. Entry is free, but donations to support the work of the Refugee Clinic will be gratefully accepted.

Compline and Contemplation

Sower

There are many times when the soil of our souls is just not ready to receive the Word when it comes to us. But God is generous. He sows freely and gratuitously. He sows repeatedly throughout life's many seasons.

-Br. Robert L'Esperance

[Society of Saint John the Evangelist](#)

One way to nurture the soil of our souls is through silent, contemplative prayer where we open ourselves to God's generous sowing. Join us at 8:30pm for candlelit Said Compline followed by 20 minutes of silent prayer in the darkened chancel or nave of the Round Church, concluding at 9pm.

Upcoming dates: Wed. December 5th; Wed. December 19th.

Christmas Flowers

If anyone would like to make a donation toward flowers for Christmas, please clearly mark the envelope Christmas Flowers and place it on the offering plate. If the donation is in memory of a loved one, please also contact the parish office at office@roundchurch.ca or 902 423 1059 so the names can be included in the bulletin. Thank you!

This Saturday: Advent Quiet Day: “Thou art the Christ”

The Rector will lead an Advent Quiet Day for the parish this coming Saturday, December 8th. The four talks will be based on the Gospel of Mark, which is appointed to be read during the daily office of Morning Prayer throughout Advent. Participants are encouraged to read the Gospel of Mark beforehand.

Schedule for the day

10 a.m. Morning Prayer (Round Church)
10:15 a.m. First Talk followed by silence (Round Church)
11 a.m. Second Talk followed by silence (Round Church)
11:45 a.m. Holy Communion (Round Church)
12:15 p.m. Lunch (Sunday School Room)
1 p.m. Third Talk followed by silence (Guild Room)
1:45 p.m. Fourth Talk (Guild Room)
2:30 p.m. Evening Prayer (Guild Room)
3 p.m. Day concludes

Feel free to come and go throughout the day. A light lunch will be served. It would be helpful if anyone planning to attend could let the Parish Office (office@roundchurch.ca) know if you will be coming for the lunch, so we can be sure to have enough food.

The First Sunday in Advent

excerpt from COMMON PRAYER: A Commentary on the Prayer Book
Lectionary Volume 1: Sunday Next Before Advent to Epiphany VI

“Behold, thy King cometh unto thee,” proclaims the Prophet in today’s gospel (B.C.P., p.96). This announces Advent’s principal theme: the coming of the Lord, which stirs in us a sense of expectation. We await the coming of the Lord, who is our salvation. The epistle sounds this same note of urgent expectation, that “now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer” (p.95). Expectation of his coming leads to preparation for his coming. “Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light” (p.96).

Penitence and prayer are the elements of our preparation. The works of darkness which we must cast off or repent of are the “lusts of the flesh” (p.96), that is, our wills as turned towards the world rather than to God. Today’s

gospel illustrates this in Christ's casting out of the money-changers and merchants from the temple of God (p.97). We repent of our sins so that we may become the temple of God. The casting off is followed by the putting on. The armour which we put on is Jesus Christ: "Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ" (p.96). His coming means both his great humility in putting on our humanity and his glorious judgement upon our darkness which he has overcome. The collect gathers all these themes together. We pray this collect every day throughout Advent.

The office readings for this week enlarge upon our expectation and our preparation in the light of the Lord's coming in humility and in judgement. The Old Testament lessons are taken from the Book of Isaiah; Isaiah is our Advent prophet. Through the prophet, God makes man aware of sin, and of the divine righteousness which overcomes sin. The prophet's vision extends beyond Israel to all the nations of the world (chapters 13-23). The expected salvation will be universal (49.6). That salvation ultimately means the coming of Emmanuel — God with us — who comes both in humility and in judgment (7.14-17).

The second lessons at Mattins for the season of Advent are taken from St. Mark's Gospel. Here we begin to see what Christ's coming to us means. The preparation for his coming in John the Baptist, the inauguration of his public ministry by his baptism, the call of the disciples, the casting out of demons, the healing of the sick, his teaching throughout all Galilee, show us the coming of our Lord to establish his kingdom of righteousness and peace. "The kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1.15).

With the opening of the seals, we continue our reading of the Book of Revelation at Evensong. The seals are opened to reveal a vision of the judgement of God upon all time, all history, and all creation. The Lamb of God alone can open the seven-sealed Scroll containing the eternal purposes of God, for he is the Revelation of God and the Redemption of mankind. The opening of the seventh seal reveals the final consummation of all things in the judgement of God. "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever" (Rev. 11.15).

Through the Lamb of God, "the temple of God in heaven was opened" (Rev. 11.19).



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Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Sun – PRAY for The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain (E-P to the Archbishop of Canterbury); The

Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain - (Spain) The Rt Rev'd Carlos López-Lozano

Mon – Kibungo - (Rwanda) The Rt Rev'd Emmanuel Ntazinda

Kigeme - (Rwanda) The Rt Rev'd Assiel Musabyimana

Tue – Kigezi - (Uganda) The Rt Rev'd George Bagamuhunda

Wed – Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh - (Armagh, Ireland) The Rt Rev'd Ferran Glenfield

Thu – Kimberley & Kuruman - (Southern Africa) The Rt Rev'd Oswald Swartz

Fri – Kinkiizi - (Uganda) The Rt Rev'd Dan Zoreka

Sat – Kinshasa - (Congo) The Rt Rev'd Achille Mutshindu

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Chignecto Region

Amherst: The Rev'd William Ferrey; The Rev'd Charlotte Ross, Associate Parish Priest

Parrsboro Shore: The Rev'd Dr. Brian Spence

Pray for the Sick: Jennifer, Vernon, James, Donnie, Ann, Dave, Barbara, Rob, Gloria y, Donna, Sherry, Cynthia, Bruce, Debbie, Shari, Richard, Bruce, Patricia.

For Continuing Prayers: Brian Mann, Max Smith, Lowell, Ken, David, Catriona, Ann, Patricia, Barbara, Shonna, Hubert, Fr. Christopher, and Catherine.

For Those in Special Need: The Almasalma Family, the family of Lual, the family of Daruka, the LaGrange family, Tina, Kieva, Eric.

For the Faithful Departed: Anne West ('15), Charles (Chuck) William Richardson ('09), John Hammond ('13), Petronella "Nellie" Neish ('11), Rev'd Canon Eric Ingraham, Dorothy Lirette ('10), Richard "Dick" Gallagher ('18), James Ingalls ('18).